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11th PLENARY SESSION CONCLUDES

The 11th Plenary Session of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC) concluded this afternoon, having been reconvened after an adjournment on 16 October 2014.

The Plenary adopted new provisions that will allow the Co-Investigating Judges to reduce the scope of judicial investigation by excluding certain facts set out in an Introductory Submission or any Supplementary Submission at the time of notification of conclusion of investigation, as long as the remaining facts are representative of the scope of the Introductory Submission or any Supplementary Submission.

Similarly, the Internal Rules were amended with provisions that will allow the Trial Chamber to reduce the scope of the trial by excluding certain facts set out in the indictment, as long as the remaining facts subject to trial are representative of the scope of the indictment. A decision to reduce the scope of the trial will not affect the participation of the Civil Parties or the composition of the consolidated group of Civil Parties.

The rules related to the Victims Support Section (VSS) were amended with provisions that regulate the criteria to be included in the list of lawyers representing Civil Parties before the ECCC and the role of VSS in forwarding applications from foreign lawyers wishing to represent Civil Parties to the Bar Association of the Kingdom of Cambodia.

These amendments were adopted with the aim of expediting the proceedings before the ECCC.

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