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HIGHER COURT IN BELGRADE War Crimes Department

Pursuant to my authority under article 331 (1,2) in re article 43 (1.5) of the *Criminal Procedure Code*; and articles 3 and 4 of the *Act on the Organization and Competence of Government Authorities in War Crimes Proceedings*, I raise this

INDICTMENT

Against **AA**

Personal details:

Son of ... and ... née ...
Citizen identification no. ...
Place/date of birth: ...
Registered place of residence: ...
Citizen of ...
Educational background / occupation: ...

Background and general allegations:

At the time relevant to this indictment, an internal (non-international) armed conflict existed in the territory of Bosnia-Herzegovina (BH). Parties to the conflict were the BH and Republic of Srpska's Armies. Acting as a soldier of the Republic of Srpska's Army, the accused, AA, took the life of one Muslim civilian, thereby committing serious breaches of international law, as envisaged by the following acts and provisions:

- Article 3 (1.a) of the *Geneva Convention on the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War (Geneva Convention IV)*, in re
- Article 4 (1, 2.a) of the *Protocol Additional to the Geneva Convention on the Protection of Victims of Non-International Armed Conflicts* (*Protocol II*).

Charges

The incident relevant to this indictment occurred on 26 June 1992. At 16:00 hrs. or around that time, AA armed with an automatic rifle and in military uniform, was present in ..., municipality Accompanied by his accomplice BB, AA arrived in front of the house owned by VV. Having found him at home, AA pointed his rifle at VV's back and ordered him to move ahead. When they reached GG's house in the same neighbourhood, AA ordered BB to proceed through the house yard and further to the orchard, which was approximately 35 metres away from the house. Determined to take VV's life, AA fired two bullets hitting the victim in the head. Having sustained multiple fractures in the top and base of the skull including the lower and upper jaw bones with multiple bone fragments, VV died shortly afterwards.

By his involvement in the above-described incident, the accused, AA, committed the criminal offence under article 142 (1) (war crime against civilian population) of the *FRY Criminal Act*.

Snežana Stanojković Deputy War Crimes Prosecutor