

I. INTRODUCTION

The Indictment against *Zejnir Delalić*, *Zdravko Mucić*, *Hazim Delić* and *Esad Landžo*, confirmed on 21 March 1996, alleged serious violations of humanitarian law that occurred in 1992 when Bosnian Muslim and Bosnian Croat forces took control of villages within the Konjic municipality in central Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The present appeal concerns events within the Konjic municipality, where persons were detained in a former Yugoslav People's Army ("JNA") facility: the Celebici camp. The Trial Chamber found that detainees were killed, tortured, sexually assaulted, beaten and otherwise subjected to cruel and inhumane treatment by Mucić, Delić and Landžo.² Mucić was found to have been the commander of the Celebici camp, Delić the deputy commander and Landžo a prison guard.

2. In various forms, Delić was co-ordinator of Bosnian Muslim and Bosnian Croat forces in the Konjic area between approximately April and September 1992. He was found not guilty of twelve counts of grave breaches of the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and violations of the laws or customs of war. The Trial Chamber concluded that Delić did not have sufficient command and control over the Celebici camp or the guards that worked there to entail his criminal responsibility for their actions.³

3. Mucić was found guilty of grave breaches of the Geneva Conventions and of violations of the laws or customs of war for crimes including murder, torture, inhuman treatment and unlawful confinement, principally on the basis of his superior responsibility as commander of the Celebici camp, but also, in respect of certain counts, for his direct participation in the crimes.⁴ Mucić was sentenced to seven years imprisonment.⁵ Delić was found guilty of grave breaches of the Geneva Conventions and violations of the laws or customs of war for his direct participation in crimes including murder, torture, and inhuman treatment.⁶ Delić was sentenced to twenty years imprisonment.⁷ Landžo was found guilty of grave breaches of the Geneva Conventions and violations of the laws or customs of war, for crimes including murder, torture, and cruel treatment, and sentenced to fifteen years imprisonment.

2 Trial Judgement, pp 290-394.

3 Trial Judgement, para 721.

4 Trial Judgement, pp 424-428.

5 Trial Judgement, pp 441-443.

6 Trial Judgement, pp 429-434.

7 Trial Judgement, pp 443-446.