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AND IN RE Adil Charkaoui

BETWEEN:

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Appellants

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Respondent

Written motion decided without appearance by parties.

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- [1] Following the publication in the Montréal daily newspaper *La Presse* of an article titled [TRANSLATION] "Did Charkaoui discuss attack?", Mr. Charkaoui filed a motion to terminate or permanently suspend security certificate proceedings. In that motion Messrs. Bellavance and Toupin, the authors of the article, were served with subpoenas *duces tecum* requiring them to produce in court certain documents from the Canadian Security Intelligence Service which were the basis for their article. The two writers then filed their own motion to quash the subpoenas *duces tecum* and raised other incidental questions. Noël J. of the Federal Court dismissed the motion to quash and also dismissed the other incidental relief sought by Messrs. Bellavance and Toupin.
- [2] Messrs. Bellavance and Toupin appealed Noël J.'s decision. In their notice of appeal they named Mr. Charkaoui as respondent and made no mention of the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration and the Solicitor General of Canada (the Ministers). The latter filed their motion to be granted the status of interveners in the appeal.
- [3] In the Court's view the motion is ill-conceived. The problem raised by the service of subpoenas *duces tecum* and the motion to quash is part of the process of Mr. Charkaoui's motion to terminate or permanently suspend security certificate proceedings regarding him. Although the subpoenas *duces tecum* may have been served by Mr. Charkaoui's counsel, that does not prevent the whole episode forming part of the process of the application to terminate Mr. Charkaoui's

proceedings. The notice of appeal filed by Messrs. Bellavance and Toupin should have named not

only Mr. Charkaoui but also the Ministers as respondents.

[4] Accordingly, the question is not whether the status of intervener should or should not be

granted to the Ministers. They are entitled to participate in the appeal as parties. The motion to be

added to the appeal as interveners is therefore dismissed without costs and the Court orders ex

proprio motu that the style of cause be amended to add the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration

and the Solicitor General of Canada as respondents.

"J.D. Denis Pelletier"
J.A.

Certified true translation

Brian McCordick, Translator

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