

leng appeal hearings set for late February

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Judges at the tribunal have scheduled appeal hearings for married defendants leng Thirith and leng Sary for Feb. 24 and 26, respectively -- the week after "Comrade Duch" makes his first appearance before the Trial Chamber.

Both lengs are appealing the court's recent decision to detain them for an additional year. Co-Prosecutors had argued that these appeals should be decided without an oral hearing, but [lawyers for the defendants argued](#) that this was "an important matter" that "should be dealt with appropriately."

leng Sary's lawyers also raised the importance of [addressing their client's health issues](#) in a hearing. The elderly defendant has repeatedly been hospitalized during his detention.