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PROPOSED NEW TEXT

Article 66

Presumption of innocence 1/

- 1. Everyone shall be presumed innocent until proved guilty <u>before the Court</u> in accordance with <u>the law applicable to it</u>.
- 2. The onus is on the Prosecutor to prove the guilt of the accused.
- 3. In order to convict the accused, the Court \underline{must} be convinced of the guilt of the accused beyond a reasonable doubt.

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 $[\]underline{1}/$ In connection with this text, it was also suggested that the following provision should be added to article 67 or article 69:

[&]quot;The accused shall have the right to raise defences under the provisions of this Statute, and to present evidence in their support."