



# Voices from the Rwanda Tribunal

## Official Transcript: Erik Møse (Highlight)



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In this highlight, Erik Møse speaks on...  
the importance of courtroom reporting

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- 00:00 Let's take court reporting, an extremely important part. I come from a system where we do not have court reporters, unlike for instance the American system. We are sitting like judges making our own notes.
- 00:17 Here, everything is recorded. I don't know how we could survive without it in these extremely complicated cases. The multi-accused cases, I've been in one case 405 days in the courtroom, I mean, impossible to remember all this of course. It all has to be, all has to be jotted down in two languages.
- 00:41 And the revolution that happened when the court reporting system accepted real time, it came from their own registry branch, namely that we can look at the screen in the same moment as the word is spoken and see what was said.
- 01:02 In the beginning here, I remember there were often discussions about what was said five minutes or ten minutes ago, all these ridiculous discussions where everyone was saying "According to my notes, he said," and the other one said, "No." Totally, it's been all abolished. We just scroll back and we say very nicely, "Well, if you look at, at 9:44:27, at that time indication you will see what was said." And then the debate is over.
- 01:33 Robert Utter: Yes.**
- 01:33 Increased our efficiency again.