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In: KSC-BC-2023-10
Specialist Prosecutor v. Sabit Januzi, Ismet Bahtijari and Haxhi Shala

Before: Pre-Trial Judge
Judge Marjorie Masselot

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Registrar's Submissions Regarding F00384

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1. On 12 July 2024, the Defence for Mr Haxhi Shala ('the Defence') made submissions before the Pre-Trial Judge relating to the 12 July 2024 hearing.¹ Among other things, the Defence submitted that the streaming of the hearing with a 10-minute, rather than a 45-minute, delay affected the ability of some members of the Defence Team to follow the proceedings adequately.²
2. The Registry informs the Pre-Trial Judge that, as highlighted by the Defence and indicated on the website of the Specialist Chambers ('SC'), public hearings are streamed with a delay of 45 minutes "*unless otherwise specified*".³ An announcement was posted, as per usual practice, on the SC website (in all three languages) indicating that the hearing will be broadcast with a 10-minute delay in the 'Live Update' section of the homepage.⁴
3. In principle, hearings of initial and further appearances, as well as judgment delivery, are broadcast with a 10-minute delay. This was also the case, for example, for Mr Shala's initial appearance on 13 December 2023.⁵

¹ KSC-BC-2023-10, F00384, Submissions regarding hearing on 12 July 2024, public.

² Id., para. 8

³ SC Website, "Streaming," <https://www.scp-ks.org/en/streaming> (emphasis added).

⁴ See Annex 1, p. 2; SC Website, Live Update, <https://www.scp-ks.org/en/blogs/live-update-court/januzi-et-al-further-appearance-be-broadcast-delay> and <https://www.scp-ks.org/en/live-update> (entry from 12 July 2024, 09:00)/ The information was also posted on the SC's "X" account, <https://x.com/SpecialChambers/status/1811657760959762853>.

⁵ See Annex 1, p. 3.

4. The Registry also notes that the Shala Defence had and has access to the live transcript of hearings in this case, including the 12 July 2024 hearing, and that the 12 July 2024 hearing is also now available on the SC YouTube channel.⁶

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⁶ SC, YouTube, "12/07/2024: Januzi&Bahtijari&H.Shala, Further appearance", posted on 17 July 2024, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kPyGb85-yv0>. The hearing is also available on YouTube in both Albanian (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KT3Ov5zjIMs>) and Serbian (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eZav6_f9NOW).