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In: KSC-BC-2023-10

The Specialist Prosecutor v. Sabit Januzi, Ismet Bahtijari and

Haxhi Shala

Before: Pre-Trial Judge

Judge Marjorie Masselot

Registrar: Dr Fidelma Donlon

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Notification of Conditional Assignment of Counsel and Approval of Co-Counsel for Sabit Januzi

with three confidential Annexes

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- 1. Pursuant to Rule 26 of the Rules,¹ the Registrar hereby informs the Pre-Trial Judge of the conditional assignment of Mr Jonathan Rees ('Mr Rees') as Counsel, and the conditional approval of Mr Huw Bowden ('Mr Bowden') as Co-Counsel, to Mr Sabit Januzi.²
- 2. Between 1 and 29 May 2024, Mr Rees and his team submitted to the Defence Office, on behalf of Mr Januzi, a request for legal aid under the Specialist Chambers' Legal Aid Regulations,³ and a corresponding request for the assignment of Counsel.
- 3. On 29 August 2024, the Registrar conditionally assigned Mr Rees as Counsel to Mr Januzi, in accordance with Sections 12 and 14(3) of the Directive on Counsel⁴ and Regulation 11 of the Legal Aid Regulations.⁵
- 4. On 29 August 2024, Mr Rees also informed the Defence Office that he would like to continue to be assisted by Mr Bowden as Co-Counsel, and all relevant documents were provided pursuant to Section 18 of the Directive on Counsel.
- 5. That same day, the Registrar conditionally approved Mr Bowden as Co-Counsel for Mr Januzi, in accordance with Section 18 of the Directive on Counsel and Regulations 28 and 29 of the Legal Aid Regulations.
- 6. Mr Rees and Mr Bowden are admitted to the List of Specialist Counsel in accordance with Rules 25(1) and 26(1) of the Rules and the Directive on Counsel.
- 7. Pursuant to Rule 82(3) of the Rules, Annexes 1 to 3 are submitted as confidential, as they contain the personal details of Counsel, Co-Counsel and former Defence Team Members.

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¹ Rules of Procedure and Evidence Before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers, KSC-BD-03/Rev3/2020, 2 June 2020, public ('Rules').

² See Annex 1, confidential; Annex 2, confidential.

³ Registry Practice Direction, Legal Aid Regulations, KSC-BD-25-Rev1, 22 February 2024, public ('Legal Aid Regulations').

⁴ Directive on Counsel, KSC-BD-04-Rev2, 27 February 2024, public.

⁵ Consequently, that same day, the Registrar terminated Mr Rees's appointment as Counsel, and Mr Huw Bowden's appointment as Co-Counsel, for Mr Januzi. *See* Annex 3, confidential.

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Registrar

Friday, 30 August 2024 At The Hague, the Netherlands