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In: KSC-BC-2020-06

Specialist Prosecutor v. Hashim Thaçi, Kadri Veseli, Rexhep

Selimi and Jakup Krasniqi

**Before:** Trial Panel II

Judge Charles L. Smith, III, Presiding Judge

Judge Christoph Barthe

Judge Guénaël Mettraux

Judge Fergal Gaynor, Reserve Judge

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- 1. As previously forecast,<sup>1</sup> the Specialist Prosecutor's Office ('SPO') hereby reports on further progress in streamlining its witness list.
- 2. The SPO no longer intends to rely upon the evidence of the following twelve (12) witnesses: [REDACTED];<sup>2</sup> [REDACTED];<sup>3</sup> [REDACTED];<sup>4</sup> [REDACTED];<sup>5</sup> [REDACTED]. In addition, the SPO intends to submit the evidence of the following eight (8) witnesses in writing: [REDACTED];<sup>6</sup> [REDACTED],<sup>7</sup> [REDACTED].
- 3. With these further changes, and the continued progression of witness testimony, the SPO remains on course as indicated in Filing F02576.8 As previously submitted,9 and noting that assessments are made on a continuing basis in light of the case progression and witness cooperation, the SPO anticipates that it will be in a position to notify certain further changes to its witness list by the upcoming judicial recess.<sup>10</sup>
- 4. This filing is submitted as confidential pursuant to Rule 82(4) of the Rules.<sup>11</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Prosecution notice of changes to witness list, KSC-BC-2020-06/F02576, 16 September 2024, ('Filing F02576'), para.3. *See also* Transcript of hearing dated 1 October 2024, p.20537.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As previously indicated in a contingent manner in KSC-BC-2020-06/F02365.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> As previously indicated in a contingent manner in KSC-BC-2020-06/F02365.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> As previously indicated in a contingent manner in KSC-BC-2020-06/F02365.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> As previously indicated in a contingent manner in KSC-BC-2020-06/F02365.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Included in filing KSC-BC-2020-06/F02599.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Pursuant to Rule 155.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Filing F02576, KSC-BC-2020-06/F02576, para.1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Transcript, 1 October 2024, p.20541.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> In the Status Conference on 1 October 2024, the Trial Panel referenced 65 remaining Rule 154 or *viva voce* witnesses. With further testimony heard and in light of the changes in this filing, that number has now reduced to 43 (at least 7 of whom are anticipated to testify before the judicial recess).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Rules of Procedure and Evidence Before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers, KSC-BD-03/Rev3/2020, 2 June 2020 ('Rules').

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