

KSC-BC-2023-10 In:

Specialist Prosecutor v. Sabit Januzi, Ismet Bahtijari and

Haxhi Shala

Before: **Trial Panel I**

Judge Mappie Veldt-Foglia, Presiding Judge

Judge Roland Dekkers

Judge Gilbert Bitti

Vladimir Mikula, Reserve Judge

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- 1. Pursuant to the Decision,¹ [REDACTED],² the Specialist Prosecutor's Office ('SPO') hereby makes limited further submissions related to the requested actions contained in the Joint Request³ and the Defence Further Request.⁴ These submissions supplement its earlier submissions.⁵
- 2. The SPO maintains that the requested actions are not necessary and recalls its position that they present no bar to the start of the trial.
- 3. [REDACTED], several of the requested actions in the Joint Request appear to require relatively little time [REDACTED] to complete.⁶ The SPO has no objection to those requested actions being prioritised along with [REDACTED] execute the requested actions as soon as possible with a view toward having them available before the start of trial.
- 4. The SPO also underscores [REDACTED] the requested actions contained in the Defence Further Request regarding keyword searches. Consistent with the SPO Response to the Defence Further Request,⁷ [REDACTED].⁹
- 5. The SPO submits that estimate would only be the beginning of the process of fulfilling the requested actions in the Defence Further Request. [REDACTED].

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¹ Decision Requesting Observations in Relation to filings F00519 and F00524, KSC-BC-2023-10/F00548, 22 October 2024, Confidential ('Decision'), para.16.

² [REDACTED].

³ Joint submission requesting an RFA, KSC-BC-2023-10/F00519, 10 October 2024, Confidential ('Joint Request').

⁴ Joint Request by Sabit Januzi Defence and Haxhi Shala Defence for a Request For Assistance, KSC-BC-2023-10/F00524, 11 October 2024, Confidential ('Defence Further Request').

⁵ Prosecution submissions pursuant to Decision F00548, KSC-BC-2023-10/F00554, 24 October 2024, Confidential. *See also* Prosecution response to 'Joint Request by Sabit Januzi Defence and Haxhi Shala Defence for a Request For Assistance', KSC-BC-2023-10/F00530, 15 October 2024, Confidential ('SPO Response'); Prosecution response to F00555, KSC-BC-2023-10/F00572, 31 October 2024, Confidential. ⁶ [REDACTED].

⁷ SPO Response, KSC-BC-2023-10/F00530, paras 4, 6.

⁸ [REDACTED].

⁹[REDACTED].

- 6. Thus, given that the Defence Further Request is overbroad, entirely speculative, constitutes an improper fishing expedition, is untimely, and, [REDACTED], would require a vast expenditure of time and resources to complete, especially in light of the fast approaching trial date, the Defence Further Request should be dismissed.
- 7. This filing is classified as confidential pursuant to Rule 82(4).

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