

In: KSC-BC-2020-06
The Specialist Prosecutor v. Hashim Thaçi, Kadri Veseli, Rexhep Selimi and Jakup Krasniqi

Before: Trial Panel II
Judge Charles L. Smith, III, Presiding
Judge Christoph Barthe
Judge Guénaél Mettraux
Judge Fergal Gaynor, Reserve Judge

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**Public Redacted Version of “Further Supplement to Urgent Thaçi Defence
Request for Temporary Release on Compassionate Grounds
with Confidential *Ex Parte* Annex 1”**

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I. INTRODUCTION AND PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

1. On 14 February 2025, the Defence for Mr Hashim Thaçi (the “Defence”) filed the Urgent Thaçi Defence Request for Temporary Release on Compassionate Grounds.¹

2. On 18 February 2025, at the request of the Trial Panel,² the Defence supplemented the Request with additional medical reports related to the hospitalisation of Mr Haxhi Thaçi between [REDACTED] February 2025.³

3. On 19 February 2025, the Trial Panel issued the “Decision on Thaçi Defence Fourth Urgent Request for Temporary Release on Compassionate Grounds”,⁴ rejecting the request on the basis that “on balance and in the present circumstances, the medical condition of Mr Haxhi Thaçi does not amount to compelling humanitarian grounds justifying Mr Thaçi’s temporary release for a custodial visit.”⁵ The Panel also invited the Thaçi Defence “to notify the Panel, without delay, of any information suggesting that the requisite threshold for temporary release has been met.”⁶

4. On [REDACTED] March 2025, the Thaçi Defence received a new medical report containing more recent information concerning the condition of Mr Haxhi Thaçi, who is currently hospitalised at [REDACTED].⁷ On this basis, and in compliance with the

¹ KSC-BC-2020-06/F02927, *Urgent Thaçi Defence Request for Temporary Release on Compassionate Grounds* with Confidential *Ex Parte* Annexes 1 and 2, 14 February 2025 (“Request”).

² Email from CMU of 17 February 2025 at 13:34 titled “[Case 06] - Thaçi Defence to Supplement F02927”.

³ KSC-BC-2020-06/F02941, *Supplement to Urgent Thaçi Defence Request for Temporary Release on Compassionate Grounds (F02927)* with Confidential *Ex Parte* Annex 1, 18/02/2025 (“Supplement to Request”).

⁴ KSC-BC-2020-06/F02947, *Decision on Thaçi Defence Fourth Urgent Request for Temporary Release on Compassionate Grounds*, 19 February 2025.

⁵ *Ibid.*, para. 16.

⁶ *Ibid.*, para. 17.

⁷ See Annex 1, Report of [REDACTED] March 2025.

Trial Panel's instructions, the Defence reiterates its request for temporary release on compassionate grounds.

II. SUBMISSIONS

5. Mr Haxhi Thaçi's health had already deteriorated since Trial Panel issued the Decision on the Urgent Thaçi Defence Request for Temporary Release on Compassionate Grounds on 31 January 2025,⁸ as detailed in the Medical Reports submitted with the Defence Supplement to Request.⁹

6. As indicated in the Medical Reports, Mr Haxhi Thaçi was hospitalised on [REDACTED] February 2025¹⁰ and discharged on [REDACTED] February 2025 with [REDACTED]".¹¹

7. Mr Haxhi Thaçi was subsequently hospitalised several more times over the past few weeks in different clinics because of his deteriorating medical condition.¹² As noted in the Report of [REDACTED] March 2025, he is diagnosed with [REDACTED]. [REDACTED].

8. Two days prior to the issuing of this report, Mr Haxhi Thaçi had [REDACTED].¹³ He is currently hospitalised at [REDACTED].

⁸ KSC-BC-2020-06/F02887, *Decision on Thaçi Defence Third Urgent Request for Temporary Release on Compassionate Grounds*, 31 January 2025 (a public redacted version was filed on 11 February 2025).

⁹ See Annex 1 of F02941 ("Medical Reports").

¹⁰ Medical Reports, p. 10.

¹¹ Medical Reports, p. 13.

¹² See Annex 1, Medical Report of [REDACTED] March 2025.

¹³ *Ibid.*

9. All of these elements lead the doctor, author of the [REDACTED] March 2025 report, to conclude that his condition could deteriorate further and lead to death at any moment.¹⁴

10. This latest medical report and clear conclusion unequivocally confirm the deteriorated state of health of Mr Haxhi Thaçi, amounting to compelling humanitarian grounds justifying Mr Hashim Thaçi's temporary release for a custodial visit allowing him to visit and comfort his father and close relatives.

III. CLASSIFICATION

11. This filing is classified as confidential and *ex parte* as it refers to sensitive medical information concerning Mr Thaçi's father. A public redacted version will be filed in due course.

IV. CONCLUSION

12. For the above reasons, the Defence maintains its request that the Trial Panel order the immediate temporary release of Mr Thaçi on compassionate grounds, for a period of one (1) day, to allow him to visit his father, in the presence of [REDACTED], at [REDACTED].¹⁵

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Respectfully submitted,

¹⁴ *Ibid.*

¹⁵ The address of the hospital is: [REDACTED].



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