



KOSOVO SPECIALIST CHAMBERS  
DHOMAT E SPECIALIZUARA TË KOSOVËS  
SPECIJALIZOVANA VEÇA KOSOVA

**In:** KSC-BC-2020-06

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

**Registrar:** Dr Fidelma Donlon

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Rexhep Selimi and Jakup Krasniqi

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**Public Redacted Version of Urgent Registrar's Request for  
Authorisation to Approve Additional Communications for Mr Thaçi  
Based on Compassionate Grounds**

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1. Pursuant to Decision F01977<sup>1</sup> of Trial Panel II ('the Panel'), the Registrar has been ordered to take measures and to implement modifications to the conditions of detention<sup>2</sup> ('Modified Conditions') of Mr Hashim Thaçi ('Mr Thaçi'), Mr Kadri Veseli and Mr Rexhep Selimi (the 'Three Accused').
2. As part of the Modified Conditions, and based on the system set up by the Registry to implement Decision F10977,<sup>3</sup> the Three Accused are authorised to have [REDACTED].<sup>4</sup> [REDACTED]. The telephone calls and video visits of the Three Accused must be pre-approved by the Registrar, and thus require advance planning.<sup>5</sup>
3. On 12 February 2025, the Panel granted Mr Thaçi's request for a custodial visit on compassionate grounds, in view of the dire health of his father.<sup>6</sup> The visit took place under the conditions set by the Panel on 13 March 2025.
4. On 17 March 2025, media reported that Mr Thaçi's father had passed away.
5. Mr Thaçi requested, through the Detention Management Unit ('DMU'), to be allowed to contact [REDACTED], specifically [REDACTED].
6. Mr Thaçi already has [REDACTED] telephone calls scheduled with [REDACTED].
7. Based on compassionate grounds, the Registrar seeks the Panel's authorisation to deviate from the Modified Conditions and exceptionally allow Mr Thaçi to have additional telephone calls and/or video visits with [REDACTED] today and tomorrow, 17 – 18 March 2025, as follows:

- a. [REDACTED];<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> KSC-BC-2020-06, F01977, Further Decision on the Prosecution's Urgent Request for Modification of Detention Conditions for Hashim Thaçi, Kadri Veseli and Rexhep Selimi, 1 December 2023, public ('Decision F01977').

<sup>2</sup> Id., paras 51-53, 55-60 and 62-78.

<sup>3</sup> F01989, Registry Update on Implementation Pursuant to Trial Panel II's Further Decision on the Prosecution's Urgent Request for Modification of Detention Conditions, 7 December 2023, public, with confidential Annex 1 and confidential and *ex parte* Annexes 2, 3 and 4.

<sup>4</sup> [REDACTED].

<sup>5</sup> Decision F01977, paras 62 – 64, 66 – 67.

<sup>6</sup> F03004, Decision on Thaçi Defence Fifth Urgent Request for Temporary Release on Compassionate Grounds, 12 March 2025, confidential and *ex parte*.

<sup>7</sup> See [REDACTED].

b. [REDACTED];

c. [REDACTED].

8. The Registrar submits that the passing of Mr Thaçi's father amounts to compassionate grounds. In view of this, the Registrar submits an exception to the Modified Conditions is justified in the present circumstances.

9. For these reasons, the Registrar seeks the Panel's authorisation to permit Mr Thaçi to have the additional calls and video visits, as outlined above, and subject to any potential re-scheduling that may be necessary to accommodate the family members' availabilities and/or DMU resources.

10. This request is filed as confidential and *ex parte*, for distribution to the Panel and Counsel for Mr Thaçi only, as it refers to confidential information related to the visits and communications of Mr Thaçi.

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**Dr Fidelma Donlon**

**Registrar**

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At The Hague, the Netherlands