



KOSOVO SPECIALIST CHAMBERS  
DHOMAT E SPECIALIZUARA TË KOSOVËS  
SPECIJALIZOVANA VEÇA KOSOVA

**In:** KSC-CA-2024-03

**Before:** A Panel of the Court of Appeals Chamber  
Judge Michèle Picard  
Judge Kai Ambos  
Judge Nina Jørgensen

**Registrar:** Fidelma Donlon

**Date:** 4 June 2025

**Original language:** English

**Classification:** Public

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**Order Scheduling the Pronouncement of the Appeal Judgment**

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**THE PANEL OF THE COURT OF APPEALS CHAMBER** of the Kosovo Specialist Chambers (“Court of Appeals Panel”, “Appeals Panel” or “Panel” and “Specialist Chambers”, respectively),<sup>1</sup> acting pursuant to Article 33(1)(c) of the Law on Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor’s Office (“Law”) and Rule 172 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (“Rules”), hereby issues this Order.

1. The Appeals Panel is seised of an appeal filed by Mr Pjetër Shala (the “Accused”) against the Trial Judgment issued by the Trial Panel on 16 July 2024 in KSC-BC-2020-04.<sup>2</sup> On 15 and 16 May 2025, the Appeals Panel heard oral submissions from the Parties and Participants, supplementing their respective appellate briefs.<sup>3</sup>

2. The Appeals Panel notes that, according to Rule 183(2) of the Rules, “[t]he Appeal Judgment, or a summary thereof, shall be pronounced in public in the name of the people of Kosovo, on a date notified to the Parties, and at which they shall be entitled to be present.” Moreover, Rule 183(1) of the Rules states that “[t]he Appeal Judgment shall be pronounced within sixty (60) days of the last submission from the Parties.”

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<sup>1</sup> F00011, Decision Assigning a Court of Appeals Panel, 3 September 2024 (confidential, reclassified as public on 4 September 2024).

<sup>2</sup> See KSC-BC-2020-04, F00847/RED, Public redacted version of Trial Judgment and Sentence, 24 September 2024 (confidential version filed on 16 July 2024) (“Trial Judgment”); F00017/COR/RED, Public Redacted Version of Corrected Version of Revised Defence Notice of Appeal, 31 October 2024 (corrected confidential version filed on 30 October 2024, uncorrected confidential version filed on 30 September 2024) (a prior version of the notice of appeal was filed: F00010/RED3, Public Redacted Version of Defence Notice of Appeal, 11 October 2024 (confidential version filed on 2 September 2024)); F00029/COR/RED2, Public Redacted Version of Corrected Version of Defence Appeal Brief, 13 January 2025 (corrected confidential version filed on 26 November 2024, uncorrected confidential version filed on 25 November 2024); F00040/RED, Public redacted version of ‘Prosecution Response Brief with two public annexes’, 30 January 2025 (confidential version filed on 17 January 2025); F00041/RED, Public Redacted Version of Victims’ Counsel’s Response to the Defence Appeal Brief, 7 February 2025 (confidential version filed on 17 January 2025); F00043/COR/RED, Public Redacted Version of Corrected Version of Defence Reply Brief, 26 March 2025 (corrected confidential version filed on 6 March 2025, uncorrected confidential version filed on 4 February 2025).

<sup>3</sup> Transcript, 15 May 2025, pp. 20-114; Transcript, 16 May 2025, pp. 115-184.

3. The Appeals Panel has decided, taking all of the above factors into account, to render the Appeal Judgment on **Tuesday, 15 July 2025 at 10:00**, in public session.

4. In accordance with Rule 183(2) of the Rules, the Appeals Panel also instructs the Parties and Participants to indicate, by **Friday, 4 July 2025 at 16:00**, whether they will be present during the hearing in the courtroom or participate via video-conference. The Defence is instructed to specify this in relation to both Counsel and the Accused.

5. For these reasons, the Court of Appeals Panel:

**SCHEDULES** the pronouncement of the Appeal Judgment for **Tuesday, 15 July 2025 at 10:00**; and

**INSTRUCTS** the Parties and Participants to indicate, by **Friday, 4 July 2025 at 16:00**, whether they will be present in the courtroom during this hearing, as detailed above in paragraph 4.



**Judge Michèle Picard,  
Presiding Judge**

Dated this Wednesday, 4 June 2025

At The Hague, the Netherlands