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

Judge Christoph Barthe, Judge Guénaël Mettraux

Judge Fergal Gaynor, Reserve Judge

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Selimi Defence observations related to Prosecution submissions pertaining to periodic detention review of Rexhep Selimi

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- 1. On 3 June 2025, the Trial Panel inquired with the Defence teams for Messrs. Veseli, Selimi and Krasniqi whether the Accused waive their right to bi-monthly detention reviews pursuant to Article 41(10) of the Law¹ and Rule 57(2) of the Rules² until the Court of Appeals Panels has rendered its decision on their respective requests for appeal of the Panel's decisions on provisional release and periodic reviews of detention.³ On 4 June 2025, the Defence for Mr. Selimi ("Selimi Defence") informed the Trial Panel that Mr. Selimi waives his right to bi-monthly reviews until the Court of Appeals Panel renders its decision.⁴
- 2. On 10 June 2025, the Trial Panel instructed the Veseli, Selimi and Krasniqi Defences to each file a waiver personally signed by the respective Accused confirming that they waive their right to bi-monthly reviews of detention.⁵ On 11 June 2025, the Selimi Defence notified the waiver.⁶
- 3. On 19 June 2025, the SPO filed its submissions pertaining to periodic detention review of Rexhep Selimi ("Submissions"). The SPO indicated in its Submissions that it does not oppose any delay by the Panel in ruling on this motion. 8
- 4. Considering Mr. Selimi's waiver and the fact that the Selimi Defence appeal⁹ is currently being considered by the Court of Appeals Panel, there is currently no detention review properly pending before the Trial Panel despite the

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¹ Law No.05/L-053 on Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor's Office, 3 August 2015 ('Law').

² Rules of Procedure and Evidence before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers, KSC-BD-03/Rev3/2020, 2 June 2020 ('Rules').

³ CMU Email of 3 June 2025 at 08:44, with header "[Case 06] - Inquiry with the Veseli, Selimi and Krasniqi Defences Regarding Detention Reviews".

⁴ Selimi Defence Email of 4 June 2025 at 17:21, with header "RE: [Case 06] - Inquiry with the Veseli, Selimi and Krasniqi Defences Regarding Detention Reviews".

⁵ CMU Email of 10 June 2025 at 10:34, with header "[Case 06] - Detention - Accused to Sign Waivers.".

⁶ KSC-BC-2020-06/F03252, Selimi Defence Notification of Waiver of Detention Review with Confidential Annex 1, 11 June 2025.

⁷ KSC-BC-2020-06/F03274, Prosecution submission pertaining to periodic detention review of Rexhep Selimi, 19 June 2025.

⁸ Submissions, para. 2.

⁹ KSC-BC-2020-06/IA033/F00001, Selimi Defence Appeal against Consolidated Decision on Selimi Defence Request for Provisional Release and on Periodic Review of Detention, 23 May 2025.

Submissions. As such, the Defence does not intend to substantively respond to the Submissions at this stage and instead will make informed submissions in its prospective response once it has been notified of the Court of Appeals Panel's findings in relation to the Selimi Defence Appeal. In this regard, the Selimi Defence respectfully requests the Trial Panel to set a briefing schedule for the filing of a response to the Submissions after the Court of Appeals Panel's decision is issued.

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