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1. On 20 October 2020, the Specialist Prosecutor's Office ('SPO') received the

attached letter¹ from Ben Emmerson, who states he is representing Mr Kadri VESELI

('Suspect'). In the interests of justice, the SPO is hereby bringing the Letter to the

attention of the Pre-Trial Judge.

Notwithstanding the submissions made in the Letter, and for the reasons 2.

previously stated,² the SPO renews its request for an arrest warrant for the Suspect.

There is a grounded suspicion that the Suspect has committed crimes within the

jurisdiction of the Specialist Chambers,³ and there are articulable grounds to believe

that there is a risk of flight,⁴ of interference with witnesses or other obstruction of the

proceedings⁵ and of the commission of further offences.⁶ Contrary to the assertions

made in the Letter,7 which are primarily directed only towards the risk of flight,

knowledge that an indictment had been confirmed against him, and of the scope and

seriousness of the charges, increases the Suspect's incentive to flee, interfere with

witnesses or otherwise obstruct proceedings. The Suspect's current political position

exacerbates those risks, due to the networks, resources and influence available to him.

An undertaking not to make public statements⁸ does not address those risks.

3. This filing is strictly confidential and *ex parte* in accordance with Rule 85(4).

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¹ See Annex 1 ('Letter').

² Request for arrest warrants and related orders, KSC-BC-2020-06/F00005, 28 May 2020, Strictly Confidential and *ex parte* ('Arrest Warrant Application').

³ Arrest Warrant Application, KSC-BC-2020-06/F00005, para.29.

⁴ Arrest Warrant Application, KSC-BC-2020-06/F00005, paras 31-33.

⁵ Arrest Warrant Application, paras 34-38.

⁶ Arrest Warrant Application, paras 39-40.

⁷ Letter, p.2.

⁸ Letter, p.3.

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