

In: KSC-BC-2020-06

The Prosecutor v. Hashim Thaçi, Kadri Veseli, Rexhep Selimi

and Jakup Krasniqi

Before: Pre-Trial Judge

Judge Nicolas Guillou

**Registrar:** Dr Fidelma Donlon

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Notification of Reception of Hashim Thaçi in the Detention Facilities of the Specialist Chambers and Appointment of Counsel

with two strictly confidential and ex parte Annexes

**Specialist Prosecutor's Office** 

Jack Smith

As per instruction from the Pre-Trial Judge KSC-BC-2020-06/CRSPD11 of 20 November 2020, reclassified as Public.

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1. Pursuant to Detention Rule 10.2 of the Rules of Detention<sup>1</sup>, promptly upon reception of a Detainee at the Detention Facilities of the Specialist Chambers, the Chief Detention Officer shall notify the Registrar, who shall transmit the notification of reception to the relevant judicial authorities and inform the relevant parties and persons, including the Head of the Defence Office.

- 2. The Registrar hereby transmits the annexed<sup>2</sup> notification of reception of Mr Hashim Thaçi in the Detention Facilities of the Specialist Chambers in The Hague, the Netherlands. The Registrar has also transmitted the notification of reception to the Head of the Defence Office.
- 3. Pursuant to Rules 26(1) of the Rules<sup>3</sup>, the Registrar further informs the Pre-Trial Judge of the appointment of Mr David Hooper QC as Counsel to Mr Thaçi.
- 4. On 4 November 2020, Mr Hooper submitted to the Registrar, through the Head of the Defence Office, a Power of Attorney signed by Mr Thaçi authorising Mr Hooper to represent him in connection with any proceedings before the Specialist Chambers.<sup>4</sup> On 5 November 2020, Mr Hooper confirmed that Mr Thaçi will not apply for legal aid and that he requested the appointment of Mr Hooper as Counsel.
- 5. Mr Hooper is admitted to the List of Specialist Counsel in accordance with Rules 25(1) and 26(1) of the Rules and the Directive on Counsel.<sup>5</sup>
- 6. On 5 November 2020, the Registrar appointed Mr Hooper as Counsel to Mr Thaçi in accordance with Sections 12 and 13 of the Directive on Counsel.<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Rules of Detention, KSC-BD-08-Rev1, 23 September 2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Annex 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Rules of Procedure and Evidence Before the Specialist Chambers, KSC-BD-03/Rev3/2020, as amended on 29 and 30 April 2020 ('Rules'); *see also* Law No. 05/L-053 on Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor's Office, 3 August 2015, arts 21(4), 21(5), 34(7) and 41(4)(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Annex 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Directive on Counsel, KSC-BD-04, 6 November 2017 ('Directive on Counsel'); Decision on Admission to the List of Specialist Counsel, KSC/REG/DEF/0014, 13 March 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See Annex 2; see also Directive on Counsel, sect. 12, 13.

7. This notification of reception is submitted as strictly confidential and *ex parte* consistent with the current classification of KSC-BC-2020-06/F00027.<sup>7</sup>

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Dr Fidelma Donlon

Registrar

Thursday, 5 November 2020 At The Hague, the Netherlands

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Decision on Request for Arrest Warrants and Transfer Orders, KSC-BC-2020-06/F00027, 26 October 2020, strictly confidential and *ex parte*.