



KOSOVO SPECIALIST CHAMBERS  
DHOMAT E SPECIALIZUARA TË KOSOVËS  
SPECIJALIZOVANA VEĆA KOSOVA

**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 Approval of Co-Counsel for Hashim Thaçi**

**with one confidential Annex**

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Jack Smith

**Counsel for Hashim Thaçi**

David Hooper

1. Pursuant to Rule 26(1) of the Rules,<sup>1</sup> the Registrar hereby informs the Pre-Trial Judge of the approval of additional Co-Counsel for Mr Hashim Thaçi ('Mr Thaçi').
2. On 5 November 2020, the Registrar appointed Mr David Hooper QC as Counsel for Mr Thaçi in accordance with Sections 12 and 13 of the Directive on Counsel.<sup>2</sup>
3. On 9 November 2020, the Registrar informed the Pre-Trial Judge of the Registrar's approval of Mr Dastid Pallaska as Co-Counsel for Mr Thaçi, pending a final decision on his admission to the List of Counsel.<sup>3</sup>
4. On 14 November 2020, Mr Hooper requested the approval of Mr Samuel Blom-Cooper as additional Co-Counsel for Mr Thaçi. Mr Blom-Cooper is admitted to the List of Counsel pursuant to Sections 18(1) and 7(3) of the Directive on Counsel.<sup>4</sup>
5. On 16 November 2020, the Registrar approved Mr Blom-Cooper as Co-Counsel for Mr Thaçi in accordance with Section 18 of the Directive on Counsel.<sup>5</sup>
6. This submission is filed as public, whereas Annex 1 is filed confidentially pursuant to Rule 82(1)(b) and (3) of the Rules, as it contains personal information concerning Counsel and Co-Counsel.

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**Dr Fidelma Donlon**

**Registrar**

Monday, 16 November 2020

At The Hague, the Netherlands

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<sup>1</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>2</sup> Directive on Counsel, KSC-BD-04, 6 November 2017.

<sup>3</sup> Notification of Approval of Co-Counsel for Hashim Thaçi, KSC-BC-2020-06/F00066, 9 November 2020, public.

<sup>4</sup> Decision on Admission to the List of Specialist Counsel, KSC/REG/DEF/0053, 25 October 2018.

<sup>5</sup> Annex 1, Letter of Approval, Selection of Co-Counsel, KSC/REG/IOR/3379, 16 November 2020.