In: KSC-BC-2020-06

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

and Jakup Krasniqi

**Before:** Pre-Trial Judge

Judge Nicolas Guillou

**Registrar:** Dr Fidelma Donlon

Filing Participant: Counsel for Rexhep Selimi

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## Selimi Defence Joinder to Veseli Defence Request for Word Limit Variation

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- 1. The Defence for Rexhep Selimi hereby joins the Veseli Defence Request for Word Limit Variation ("Veseli Request"). The Defence for Mr Selimi informs the Pre-Trial Judge that it intends to reply to SPO responses KSC-BC-2020-06/F00258, KSC-BC-2020-06/F00260 and KSC-BC-2020-06/F00263.
- 2. The Defence for Mr Selimi has reviewed the Veseli Request submissions as regards a reply to KSC-BC-2020- 06/F00263, and fully supports and endorses its arguments and requests as well a maximum of 4,000 additional words for its reply to SPO response KSC-BC-2020- 06/F00263.
- 3. Pursuant to Articles 36(1) and 36(2) of the Practice Direction<sup>3</sup> the Defence for Mr Selimi hereby makes an additional request for an extension of the word limit for the replies to KSC-BC-2020-06/F00258 and KSC-BC-2020-06/F00260 for a maximum of 4,000 additional words per each reply. The Defence for Mr Selimi respectfully submits that the good cause that necessitates exceeding the word limit exists given the length and complexity of the respective SPO responses.
- 4. The Defence for Mr Selimi submits that given that the proposed replies will confine themselves to addressing only new issues arising from the SPO responses, which is in accordance with Rule 76 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, no prejudice will be caused.

## Word count: 300

Respectfully submitted on 6 May 2021,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> KSC-BC-2020-06/F00272, Veseli Defence, Veseli Defence Request for Word Limit Variation, 3 May 2021 ("Veseli Request").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> KSC-BC-2020-06/F00258, Specialist Prosecutor, Consolidated Prosecution Response to Thaçi, Selimi, and Krasniqi Preliminary Motions on the Form of the Indictment, 23 April 2021, public; KSC-BC-2020-06/F00260, Specialist Prosecutor, Prosecution response to preliminary motions concerning the status of the Kosovo Specialist Chambers and allegations of rights violations, 23 April 2021, public; KSC-BC-2020-06/F00263, Specialist Prosecutor, Consolidated Prosecution Response to Preliminary Motions Challenging Joint Criminal Enterprise (JCE), 23 April 2021, public.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> KSC-BD-15, Practice Direction on Files and Filings before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers, 17 May 2019 ("Practice Direction").

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