



KOSOVO SPECIALIST CHAMBERS
DHOMAT E SPECIALIZUARA TË KOSOVËS
SPECIJALIZOVANA VEÇA KOSOVA

File number: KSC-BC-2020-06/IA005

Before: The President of the Specialist Chambers
Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova

Registrar: Fidelma Donlon

Date: 7 June 2021

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Decision Assigning a Court of Appeals Panel

Judges of the Court of Appeals Panel:

Judge Michèle Picard

Judge Emilio Gatti

Judge Kai Ambos

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Counsel for Kadri Veseli:

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Victims' Counsel:

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Victims' Counsel for Denied Applicants:

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THE PRESIDENT of the Specialist Chambers (“President”), acting pursuant to Articles 33(1)(c) of Law No. 05/L-053 on Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor’s Office, Rules 113(6) and 169 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers and Rules 3 and 4 of the Rules on the Assignment of Specialist Chambers Judges from the Roster of International Judges (“Rules on Assignment”), herewith assigns a Court of Appeals Panel to decide on the appeal against the Pre-Trial Judge’s decision denying the applications of certain individuals seeking to participate as victims in this case.¹

I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

1. On 21 April 2021, the Pre-Trial Judge rendered the Impugned Decision, wherein he, *inter alia*, rejected the applications of certain individuals who sought to participate as victims in the current proceedings.²

2. On 31 May 2021, a Panel of the Court of Appeals clarified the time limits within which Counsel for the denied applicants was to file an appeal against the Impugned Decision.³

II. ASSIGNMENT

3. Having considered the criteria set forth in Rule 4(2) of the Rules on Assignment, including relevant experience and expertise as well as availability at this time,

¹ IA005/F00004/RED, Public Redacted Version of the Appeal against the “First Decision on Victims’ Participation” Pursuant to Rule 113(6) of the Rules, 7 June 2021 (“Appeal”). See also F00257/RED, Public Redacted Version of the First Decision on Victims’ Participation, 21 April 2021 (“Impugned Decision”), para. 85(f).

² Impugned Decision, para. 85(f).

³ IA005/F00003, Decision on Counsel’s Motion for Clarification and Variation of Time Limits, 31 May 2021.

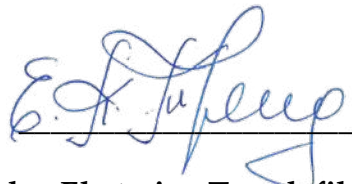
THE PRESIDENT HEREBY ASSIGNS:

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to the Court of Appeals Panel to decide on the Appeal.



**Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova,
President of the Specialist Chambers**

Dated this Monday, 7 June 2021
At The Hague,
The Netherlands