

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

Date: 18 June 2021

Language: English

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Order for Expedited Responses and Replies

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THE PRE-TRIAL JUDGE,¹ pursuant to Article 39(13) of Law No. 05/L-053 on Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor's Office ("Law"), and Rules 9(5)(a) and 76 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence Before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers ("Rules"), hereby renders this order.

I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND AND SUBMISSIONS

1. On 18 June 2021, the Specialist Prosecutor's Office ("SPO") filed a request for an extension of time limit with respect to their Rule 102(3) Notice ("Request").²

II. APPLICABLE LAW

- 2. Pursuant to Rule 9(5)(a) of the Rules, the Panel may, *proprio motu*, extend or reduce any time limit prescribed by the Rules.
- 3. Pursuant to Rule 76 of the Rules, any response to a motion shall be filed within ten (10) days of the motion and any reply to a response shall be filed within five (5) days of the response.

III. DISCUSSION

4. The Pre-Trial Judge notes that the SPO's deadline for filing a Rule 102(3) notice is 25 June 2021.³ Should the Parties wish to submit responses or replies to the SPO's request to extend this deadline, the Pre-Trial Judge requests that responses, if any, be filed by 16:00 on Wednesday, 23 June 2021 and replies, if any, be filed by noon on Thursday, 24 June 2021.

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¹ KSC-BC-2020-06, F00001, President, Decision Assigning a Pre-Trial Judge, 23 April 2020, public.

² KSC-BC-2020-06, F00356, Specialist Prosecutor, *Prosecution Request for Extension of Time Limit to Provide its Rule* 102(3) *Notice*, 18 June 2021, public.

³ KSC-BC-2020-06, Transcript of Hearing, 24 March 2021, public, p. 390, line 16 to p. 391, line 9.

IV. DISPOSITION

- 5. For the above-mentioned reasons, the Pre-Trial Judge hereby:
 - a. **ORDERS** that responses, if any, to the Request be filed by no later than **16:00 on Wednesday**, **23 June 2021**; and
 - b. ORDERS replies, if any, be filed no later than noon on Thursday,24 June 2021.

Judge Nicolas Guillou Pre-Trial Judge

Dated this Friday, 18 June 2021

At The Hague, the Netherlands