



KOSOVO SPECIALIST CHAMBERS
DHOMAT E SPECIALIZUARA TË KOSOVËS
SPECIJALIZOVANA VEÇA KOSOVA

File number: KSC-BC-2020-04/IA001

Before: The President of the Specialist Chambers
Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova

Registrar: Fidelma Donlon

Date: 30 June 2021

Language: English

Classification: Confidential

Decision Assigning a Court of Appeals Panel

Judges of the Court of Appeals Panel:

Judge Michèle Picard

Judge Kai Ambos

Judge Nina Jørgensen

Specialist Prosecutor's Office:

Jack Smith

Counsel for Pjetër Shala:

Jean-Louis Gilissen

THE PRESIDENT of the Specialist Chambers (“President”), acting pursuant to Articles 33(1)(c), 41(10) and 45(2) of Law No. 05/L-053 on Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor’s Office, Rules 58, 169 and 170(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers (“KSC”) and Rules 3 and 4 of the Rules on Assignment of Specialist Chambers Judges from the Roster of International Judges (“Rules on Assignment”), herewith assigns a Court of Appeals Panel to decide on an interlocutory appeal by Mr Pjetër Shala against a decision by the Pre-Trial Judge related to his detention (“Appeal”).¹

I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

1. On 15 March 2021, Mr Shala was arrested in Belgium pursuant to an arrest warrant issued by the Single Judge on 12 June 2020² and was transferred to the Detention Facilities of the KSC in The Hague, the Netherlands, on 15 April 2021.³

2. On 15 June 2021, the Pre-Trial Judge rejected Mr Shala’s request for provisional release (“Impugned Decision”).⁴

3. On 28 June 2021, Mr Shala appealed the Impugned Decision.⁵

II. CLASSIFICATION

4. The Appeal is classified as confidential and the present decision will therefore bear the same classification in accordance with Rule 82(4) of the Rules, until it is reclassified in due course.

¹ IA001/F00001, Defence Appeal against the “Decision on Pjetër Shala’s Request for Provisional Release”, 28 June 2021 (confidential).

² See F00008/A01, Arrest Warrant for Mr Pjetër Shala, 12 June 2020.

³ See F00019, Notification of Reception of Pjetër Shala in the Detention Facilities of the Specialist Chambers and Conditional Assignment of Counsel, 15 April 2021.

⁴ F00045/RED, Public Redacted Version of Decision on Pjetër Shala’s Request for Provisional Release, 15 June 2021.

⁵ See generally Appeal.

III. ASSIGNMENT

5. 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,

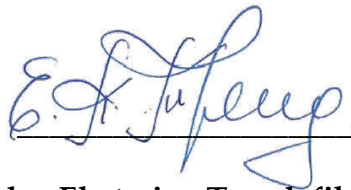
THE PRESIDENT HEREBY ASSIGNS:

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

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

Dated this Wednesday, 30 June 2021
At The Hague,
The Netherlands