



KOSOVO SPECIALIST CHAMBERS
DHOMAT E SPECIALIZUARA TË KOSOVËS
SPECIJALIZOVANA VEÇA KOSOVA

File number: KSC-BC-2018-01/IA001

Before: The President of the Specialist Chambers
Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova

Registrar: Fidelma Donlon

Date: 27 August 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

Specialist Prosecutor's Office:

Jack Smith

Specialist Counsel:

Toby Cadman

THE PRESIDENT of the Specialist Chambers (“President”), noting Articles 33(1)(c) and 45(2) of Law No. 05/L-053 on Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor’s Office, Rules 77(1), 169 and 170(2) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers (“Rules” and “KSC”, respectively) 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 following the decision by the Single Judge to, *inter alia*, grant Mr Driton Lajçi leave to appeal the decision, in part (“Decision Granting Leave to Appeal”).¹

I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

1. On 23 July 2021, the Single Judge rejected Mr Lajçi’s request for an order directing the Specialist Prosecutor’s Office to terminate its investigations against Mr Lajçi (“Impugned Decision”).²
2. On 29 July 2021, Mr Lajçi requested leave to appeal the Impugned Decision (“Request”).³
3. On 24 August 2021, the Single Judge issued the Decision Granting Leave to Appeal, in which, he, *inter alia*, granted the Request insofar as it relates to his interpretation of Rule 47 of the Rules.⁴

II. ASSIGNMENT

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

¹F00184, Decision on Application for Leave to Appeal the Decision F00180, 24 August 2021.

² F00180/RED, Public Redacted Version of Decision on Application for an Order Directing the Specialist Prosecutor to Terminate the Investigation against Driton Lajçi, 23 July 2021.

³ F00181, Application for Certification on Leave to Appeal the Decision on Application for an Order Directing the Specialist Prosecutor to Terminate the Investigation against Driton Lajçi, 29 July 2021.

⁴ See Decision Granting Leave to Appeal, paras 5(c), 32(b).

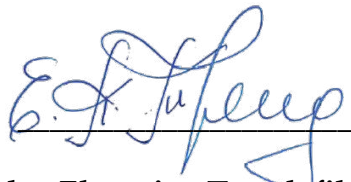
THE PRESIDENT HEREBY ASSIGNS:

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to the Court of Appeals Panel to decide on the appeal filed pursuant to the Decision
Granting Leave to Appeal.



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

Dated this Friday, 27 August 2021
At The Hague,
The Netherlands