

File number: KSC-BC-2020-04/IA004

**Before:** The President of the Specialist Chambers

Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova

**Registrar:** Fidelma Donlon

Date: 2 December 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 Nina Jørgensen

Specialist Prosecutor's Office: Counsel for Pjetër Shala:

Jack Smith Jean-Louis Gilissen

THE PRESIDENT of the Specialist Chambers ("President"), noting Articles 33(1)(c), 45(2) of Law No. 05/L-053 on Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor's Office, Rules 77, 169 and 170(2) 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 following the Pre-Trial Judge's decision to grant, in part, Mr Pjetër Shala's leave to appeal the "Decision on Motion Challenging the Form of the Indictment" ("Decision Granting Leave to Appeal").<sup>1</sup>

#### I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

- 1. On 18 October 2021, the Pre-Trial Judge issued the Impugned Decision.
- 2. On 26 October 2021, Mr Shala requested leave to Appeal the Impugned Decision.<sup>2</sup>
- 3. On 29 November 2021, the Pre-Trial Judge granted, in part, Mr Shala's request for leave to appeal the Impugned Decision.<sup>3</sup>

### 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,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> F00116, Decision on Application for Leave to Appeal "Decision on Motion Challenging the Form of the Indictment", 29 November 2021; F00089/RED, Public Redacted Version of Decision on Motion Challenging the Form of the Indictment, 18 October 2021 ("Impugned Decision").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> F00094, Defence Application for Leave to Appeal the Decision on Motion Challenging the Form of the Indictment, 26 October 2021 (confidential).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Decision Granting Leave to Appeal, para. 31.

## THE PRESIDENT HEREBY ASSIGNS:

Judge Michèle Picard Judge Emilio Gatti Judge Nina Jørgensen

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

Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova,
President of the Specialist Chambers

Dated this Thursday, 2 December 2021 At The Hague, The Netherlands