In: KSC-BC-2020-06

Specialist Prosecutor v. Hashim Thaçi, Kadri Veseli, Rexhep

Selimi and Jakup Krasniqi

Before: Pre-Trial Judge

Judge Nicolas Guillou

Registrar: Dr Fidelma Donlon

Filing Participant: Counsel for Kadri Veseli

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Veseli Defence Request for Variation of Time Limit with Respect to Submissions on Continued Detention

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- 1. Pursuant to the Oral Order of the Pre-Trial Judge rendered during the 9th Status Conference,¹ submissions on the continued detention of Mr Kadri Veseli were ordered to be filed no later than 10 days after notification of the relevant decision of the Court of Appeals Panel on the Remanded Detention Review.
- 2. Following the Decision of the Court of Appeals issued on 31 March 2022² and pursuant to Rule 9(5)(a) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence ("Rules"), the Defence for Mr Kadri Veseli ("Defence") respectfully requests a variation of the time limit prescribed in the Pre-Trial Judge's Oral Order and seeks to postpone the date for filing its submissions, if any, to 22 April 2022.
- 3. Good cause exists for the requested extension given the need for Mr Kadri Veseli to have adequate time to sufficiently assess his position in light of the multitude of issues decided by the Court of Appeals Panel, which may bear on any future submissions and/or decision in relation to continued detention.
- 4. The Defence recalls that Mr Veseli has already agreed to exceptionally waive the right to review his detention before expiration of the two-month limit in accordance with Rule 57(2) of the Rules and Article 41(10) of the Law.³
- 5. On 6 April 2022, the SPO indicated to the Defence, through *inter partes* correspondence, that it does not oppose this request.⁴
- 6. Accordingly, the Defence respectfully requests that the Pre-Trial Judge grant the request and vary the time limit for filing submissions, if any, to **22 April 2022**.

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¹ Transcript, 15 December 2021, p.763-764.

² IA014-F00008/RED, Decision on Kadri Veseli's Appeal Against Decision on Remanded Detention Review and Periodic Review of Detention, 31 March 2022.

³ F00607, Veseli Defence Request for Extension of Time Limit with Respect to Third Detention Review, 10 December 2021, para. 5.

⁴ Email exchange between SPO and Defence, 6 April 2022.

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