

In: KSC-BC-2020-06

The Prosecutor v. Hashim Thaçi, Kadri Veseli, Rexhep Selimi,

and Jakup Krasniqi

**Before:** Trial Panel II

Judge Charles L. Smith III, Presiding Judge

Judge Christoph Barthe

Judge Guénaël Mettraux

Judge Fergal Gaynor, Reserve Judge

**Registrar:** Fidelma Donlon

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Order for Submissions on the Draft Order on the Conduct of Proceedings

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**TRIAL PANEL II**, pursuant to Article 40(2) of the Law No. 05/L-053 on Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor's Office ("Law") and Rule 116(1) and (3) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence Before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers ("Rules"), hereby renders this order.

## I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

1. On 16 December 2022, the Trial Panel informed the Parties and participants that, in accordance with Rule 116(3) of the Rules, a draft Order on the Conduct of Proceedings will be circulated to the Parties and participants for them to make submissions, if they so wish, by 13 January 2023, at 16:00 hours. The draft Order on the Conduct of Proceedings is annexed to the present filing.

## II. DISCUSSION

- 1. Consistent with the directions provided orally on 16 December 2022, the Trial Panel hereby invites the Parties and participants to submit, by **Friday**, **13 January 2023**, **at 16:00 hours**, written observations on the Draft Order on the Conduct of Proceedings (Annex 1).
- 2. The Parties and participants shall identify, in particular: (i) any objection they may have to any of the proposals made in the Draft Order on the Conduct of Proceedings; and (ii) the basis and authorities to support any objection.
- 3. No responses will be entertained. The Trial Panel will address any residual issue with the Parties and participants if necessary before issuing its order.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Transcript of Hearing, 16 December 2022, public, p. 1772, lines 9-25, p. 1773, lines 1-3.

## III. DISPOSITION

4. In light of the foregoing, the Trial Panel hereby:

**INVITES** the Parties and participants to submit, if they so wish, by **Friday**, **13 January 2023**, **at 16:00 hours**, written observations on the Draft Order on the Conduct of Proceedings (Annex 1).

Judge Charles L. Smith, III
Presiding Judge

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Dated this Thursday, 22 December 2022 At The Hague, the Netherlands.