



SPECIALIST PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE
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In: KSC-BC-2020-04
Specialist Prosecutor v. Pjetër Shala

Before: **Trial Panel I**
Judge Mappie Veldt-Foglia, Presiding
Judge Roland Dekkers
Judge Gilbert Bitti
Judge Vladimir Mikula, Reserve

Registrar: Dr Fidelma Donlon

Filing Party: Acting Specialist Prosecutor

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'Prosecution submission on order of appearance of witnesses with confidential Annex 1'

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1. On 26 January 2023, the Trial Panel ordered¹ the Specialist Prosecutor's Office ('SPO') to confirm the order of appearance of the first three SPO witnesses.
2. The SPO confirms that the order of appearance of the first three SPO witnesses remains [REDACTED], as indicated in the Witness List filed on 10 October 2022.² In addition, the SPO confirms its intention to call [REDACTED] as the fourth witness.
3. [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] the SPO considers it preferable if they could be examined in the same evidentiary block. [REDACTED].
4. Considering the limited courtroom availability, the SPO considers it important to endeavour to maximise the use of available courtroom time, consistent with the requirements of a fair and expeditious trial. In this respect, the SPO has reassessed and reduced its estimates for the duration of these witnesses' examinations-in-chief, as indicated in Annex 1 to this submission.
5. Based on the foregoing, the SPO intends to call [REDACTED], during the first evidentiary block of the trial, scheduled from Monday, 27 March 2023 to Friday, 31 March 2023.
6. Finally, in light of the evidentiary blocks set out in the Scheduling Decision,³ the SPO has revised the tentative order of appearance of its other witnesses. The updated order of witnesses is reflected in the witness list attached in Annex 1 to this submission. [REDACTED].
7. This submission is filed as confidential as it refers to witness information not publicly available. A public redacted version will be filed.

¹ Decision on the date for the commencement of the trial, evidence presentation and related matters, KSC-BC-2020-04/F00405, 26 January 2023, public ('Scheduling Decision').

² Annexes 1 and 3 to the Prosecution submission in advance of the trial preparation conference, with strictly confidential and *ex parte* Annexes 1-2 and confidential Annex 3, KSC-BC-2020-04/F00303, 10 October 2022, confidential ('Witness List').

³ Scheduling Decision, KSC-BC-2020-04/F00405, para.18.

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