

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

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Agenda for Status Conference on 20 March 2023

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TRIAL PANEL II ("Panel"), pursuant to Article 40(2) and (4) of Law No. 05/L-053 on Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor's Office and Rule 116(4)(e) and (5), of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence Before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers, hereby provides this agenda.

I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

1. On 15 February 2023, the Panel scheduled a status conference to be held on 20 March 2023 at 9:00 a.m. ("Status Conference").1

II. DISCUSSION

- 2. With a view to enabling the Parties and participants to prepare and to provide informed responses to questions from the Panel, the Panel hereby gives the Parties and participants notice of the subject-matters or areas of interest in relation to which questions shall be asked of them.
- 3. The Panel shall seek answers to questions on the following issues:
 - a) Whether the Specialist Prosecutor and the Defence intend to revisit the time estimates given for the first 12 witnesses and the corresponding impact of these time estimates upon the time required for the Specialist Prosecutor's case.
 - b) The measures the Specialist Prosecutor considers to be most appropriate in order to reduce the duration of the trial.
 - c) Whether the Specialist Prosecutor intends to tender into evidence all items identified in respect of the first 12 witnesses but not already offered for admission pursuant to Rule 154 and/or from the bar table.

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¹ Transcript of Hearing, 15 February 2023, p. 2040, lines 6 to 9.

- d) The scope of the Specialist Prosecutor's reliance on the witnesses' evidence of acts and conduct of the Accused, if not specifically identified in the Specialist Prosecutor's summaries of the witnesses' evidence.
- e) The scope of the Specialist Prosecutor's reliance on SPOE00232092-00232094.
- f) Whether Victims' Counsel has liaised with the Specialist Prosecutor about the scope of its direct examination of W04746.
- g) The Defence's position on the role and authority of the General Staff of the Kosovo Liberation Army.
- h) The Defence for Hasim Thaçi's notice of the defence of self-defence.
- 4. In addition, the Panel will seek to review the calendar set for April and May 2023 with the Parties and participants.
- 5. Lastly, the Panel will seek to review other items of concern raised by the Parties and participants.

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III. DISPOSITION

- 6. In light of the foregoing, the Panel hereby:
 - (a) **ORDERS** the Parties and participants to provide full and informed responses to the questions posed above at the Status Conference; and
 - (b) **ORDERS** the Parties and participants to provide notice to the Panel, the opposing Party and participants, no later than **Friday**, **17 March 2023**, **at 1:00 p.m.**, of any issue which they would wish to raise with the Panel during the Status Conference.

Judge Charles L. Smith, III
Presiding Judge

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Dated this Wednesday, 15 March 2023 At The Hague, the Netherlands.