



KOSOVO SPECIALIST CHAMBERS
DHOMAT E SPECIALIZUARA TË KOSOVËS
SPECIJALIZOVANA VEÇA KOSOVA

File number: KSC-BC-2020-06/IA029

Before: The President of the Specialist Chambers
Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova

Registrar: Fidelma Donlon

Date: 18 July 2023

Language: English

Classification: Confidential

Decision Assigning a Court of Appeals Panel

Judges of the Court of Appeals Panel:

Judge Michèle Picard

Judge Kai Ambos

Judge Nina Jørgensen

Counsel for Hashim Thaçi:

Gregory Kehoe

Counsel for Kadri Veseli:

Ben Emmerson

Acting Specialist Prosecutor:

Alex Whiting

Counsel for Rexhep Selimi:

David Young

Victims' Counsel:

Simon Laws

Counsel for Jakup Krasniqi:

Venkateswari Alagenda

THE PRESIDENT of the Specialist Chambers (“President”), noting Article 33(1)(c) 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 (“Rules”) 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 issuance by Trial Panel II of the “Decision on Veseli and Krasniqi Defence Request for Certification to Appeal the Second Decision on Specialist Prosecutor’s Bar Table Motion” (“Decision Granting Leave to Appeal”).¹

I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

1. On 9 June 2023, Trial Panel II issued the “Second Decision on Specialist Prosecutor’s Bar Table Motion” (“Impugned Decision”).²
2. On 23 June 2023, Messrs Kadri Veseli and Jakup Krasniqi filed a request for certification to appeal the Impugned Decision.³
3. On 17 July 2023, Trial Panel II granted the request for leave to appeal the Impugned Decision, in part.⁴

II. CLASSIFICATION

4. The Decision Granting Leave to Appeal is classified as confidential and the present decision will therefore bear the same classification in accordance with Rule 82(4) of the Rules, until it is reclassified in due course consistent with Rule 3(4) of the Rules on Assignment.

¹ F01678, Decision on Veseli and Krasniqi Defence Request for Certification to Appeal the Second Decision on Specialist Prosecutor’s Bar Table Motion, 17 July 2023 (confidential).

² F01596, Second Decision on Specialist Prosecutor’s Bar Table Motion, 9 June 2023 (confidential).

³ F01624, Veseli and Krasniqi Defence Request for Certification to Appeal the “Second Decision on Specialist Prosecutor’s Bar Table Motion, 23 June 2023 (confidential).

⁴ Impugned Decision, para. 28.

III. ASSIGNMENT

5. Having considered the criteria set forth in Rule 4 of the Rules on Assignment, including relevant experience and expertise as well as availability of Judges at this time,

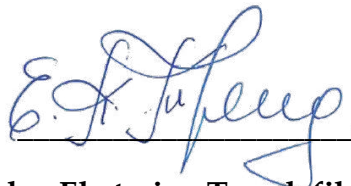
THE PRESIDENT HEREBY ASSIGNS:

Judge Michèle Picard

Judge Kai Ambos

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 Tuesday, 18 July 2023
At The Hague,
The Netherlands