



KOSOVO SPECIALIST CHAMBERS
DHOMAT E SPECIALIZUARA TË KOSOVËS
SPECIJALIZOVANA VEÇA KOSOVA

In: KSC-BC-2023-10
The Prosecutor v. Sabit Januzi and Ismet Bahtjari

Before: Pre-Trial Judge
Judge Nicolas Guillou

Registrar: Dr Fidelma Donlon

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Notification of Arrest of Ismet Bahtjari Pursuant to Rule 55(4)

Specialist Prosecutor's Office

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1. On 2 October 2023, the Pre-Trial Judge confirmed the charges against Mr Ismet Bahtjari ('Mr Bahtjari') for intimidation during criminal proceedings; attempting to obstruct by serious threat official persons, including Specialist Prosecutor's Office ('SPO') prosecutors and investigators in performing official duties; and attempting to obstruct, by common action of a group, official persons, including SPO prosecutors and investigators in performing official duties.¹
2. On 2 October 2023, the Pre-Trial Judge also issued an arrest warrant for Mr Bahtjari and ordered his transfer to the Detention Facilities of the Specialist Chambers in The Hague, the Netherlands.²
3. Pursuant to Rule 55(4) of the Rules,³ when a person is arrested in Kosovo pursuant to an arrest warrant issued by the Specialist Chambers, the competent authorities shall promptly notify the Registrar, who shall immediately inform the President, the Panel, and the Parties.
4. The Registrar hereby notifies the above-mentioned entities and authorities of the arrest of Mr Bahtjari by the SPO at 6:33 a.m. in Kosovo today, 5 October 2023.
5. The Registrar will submit a report on the arrest and transfer of Mr Bahtjari to the Pre-Trial Judge before the initial appearance, in accordance with the Decision on Arrest and Transfer.⁴

¹ F00008, Decision on the Confirmation of the Indictment, 2 October 2023, strictly confidential and *ex parte*.

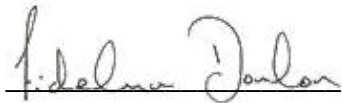
² KSC-BC-2023-10, F00009, Decision on Request for Arrest Warrants and Related Orders, 2 October 2023, strictly confidential and *ex parte*, with Annexes 1-4, strictly confidential and *ex parte* ('Decision on Arrest and Transfer').

³ Rules of Procedure and Evidence Before the Specialist Chambers, KSC-BD-03/Rev3/2020, 2 June 2020 ('Rules').

⁴ Decision on Arrest and Transfer, paras 28, 29(g).

6. This notification is submitted as strictly confidential and *ex parte* pursuant to Rule 82(4) of the Rules.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Fidelma Donlon", written in black ink on a white background.

Dr Fidelma Donlon

Registrar

Thursday, 5 October 2023

At The Hague, the Netherlands