

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

Before: Pre-Trial Judge
Judge Nicolas Guillou

Registrar: Dr Fidelma Donlon

Filing Participant: Duty Counsel for Ismet Bahtjari

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Submission on the agenda for the Status Conference

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SUBMISSION ON THE AGENDA FOR THE STATUS CONFERENCE

1. Pursuant to the Trial Judges' request the Defence for mr Ismet Bahtjari hereby files its submission regarding the Status Conference of 12 October 2023.
2. With regard to the general questions regarding the steps the defence will want to take, the Defence informs that no positions can be taken on this at this stage. Given the lack of knowledge of the evidence underlying the arrest warrant of mr Bahtjari and the short period of time to prepare the defence, the Defence will only be able to clarify this at a later stage.
3. Based on the charges and its explanation, in conjunction with the not guilty plea, it does however seem obvious that at some point the witness' statement will have to be challenged. Also, in due time the detention on remand will be challenged.
4. Insofar as the Trial Judges' requests concern the procedure of disclosure, the Defence agrees with the proposed course of action.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'H. Sytema', with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

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At The Hague, the Netherlands

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