



KOSOVO SPECIALIST CHAMBERS
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SPECIJALIZOVANA VEÇA KOSOVA

In: KSC-BC-2020-06
The Prosecutor v. Hashim Thaçi, Kadri Veseli, Rexhep Selimi and Jakup Krasniqi

Before: **Trial Panel II**
Judge Charles Smith III, Presiding Judge
Judge Christoph Barthe
Judge Guénaél Mettraux
Judge Fergal Gaynor, Reserve Judge

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1. Pursuant to Articles 23 and 34(8) of the Law,¹ Rules 23(2) and 27 of the Rules,² the [REDACTED],³ and in line with Trial Panel II's Order,⁴ the Registry's Witness Protection and Support Office ('WPSO') hereby submits the WPSO Psychologist's assessment of W04577's fitness to testify.
2. [REDACTED].⁵
3. [REDACTED].⁶ [REDACTED].⁷ [REDACTED].
4. Pursuant to Rule 27(3) of the Rules, WPSO may, on order of a Panel or *proprio motu*, conduct a psychological assessment through a qualified professional during a court appearance, on a person's vulnerability or fitness in relation to his or her appearance and on any necessary protective measures.⁸
5. [REDACTED].
6. Pursuant to the Panel's Order, the WPSO Psychologist's assessment on W04577's fitness to testify is hereby submitted as Annex 1, [REDACTED].

¹ Law on Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor's Office, Law No. 05/L-053, 3 August 2015.

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

³ [REDACTED].

⁴ [REDACTED].

⁵ [REDACTED].

⁶ [REDACTED].

⁷ [REDACTED].

⁸ See also Rule 27(4) of the Rules ("In performing its functions, [WPSO] shall respect the interests of witnesses and victims participating in the proceedings, maintain confidentiality and act impartially at all times.")

7. Pursuant to Rules 27(4) and 82(3) of the Rules, [REDACTED], and the Panel's Order,⁹ this submission and Annex 1 are filed as strictly confidential. The Registrar has no objections to the further distribution of the filing and its Annex to Duty Counsel for W04577.

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⁹ [REDACTED].