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Specialist Prosecutor v. Sabit Januzi and Ismet Bahtijari

Before: Pre-Trial Judge

Judge Nicolas Guillou

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Specialist Prosecutor's Office ('SPO') hereby responds to the Single Judge's

Order¹ to provide further submissions regarding the scope of the SPO's request for

search and seizure of any and all mobile telephones of Sabit JANUZI and Ismet

BAHTJARI (the 'Requested Searches and Seizures').

II. FURTHER SUBMISSIONS

A. SCOPE OF THE REQUESTED SEARCHES AND SEIZURE

2. Regarding the questions raised in Paragraph 7 of the Order, the SPO's request

is ultimately targeted at seizing any and all mobile telephones (to include any and all

SIM cards) JANUZI and BAHTJARI carry on them—including on their persons or in

any bags, parcels, or other containers in their possession (their 'Possessions')—at the

time of their arrests in Kosovo. The SPO therefore specifically requests:

(a) to search the persons of JANUZI and BAHTJARI and their Possessions incident

to arrest;

(b) to seize any and all mobile telephones (to include any and all SIM cards) that

JANUZI and BAHTJARI carried on their persons or in their Possessions; and

(c) to seize any and all mobile telephones (to include any and all SIM cards) found

on the persons or in the Possessions of JANUZI and BAHTJARI and any further

evidence that is believed to have been used in, connected with or may be

evidence relevant to the charged crimes and any recent efforts to interfere with

the administration of justice.2

<sup>1</sup> Order for Further Submissions in Relation to Filing F00003, KSC-BC-2023-10/F00003, 15 September 2023, Strictly Confidential and *Ex Parte* ('Order').

<sup>2</sup> Such items of evidence may include records of contacts or meetings, diaries, logbooks, decisions, photographs, video and audio recordings, orders, instructions, directives, reports, policies, protocols or regulations, as well as computers and other devices that reasonably could be expected to contain

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B. LOCATION OF EXECUTION OF REQUESTED SEARCH AND SEIZURES AND REQUESTED

**SIMs** 

3. Regarding the request for clarification in Paragraph 9 of the Order, the SPO

submits that, to ensure efficient and safe execution of the arrest warrants, the

Requested Searches and Seizures will not be executed at the time of the arrests of

JANUZI and BAHTJARI in Kosovo. Any items found on their persons and in their

Possessions incident to their arrests, including any and all mobile telephones, will be

separated from them. [REDACTED]. The SPO plans to execute the Requested Searches

and Seizures after JANUZI and BAHTJARI have been transferred to the Detention

Facilities in The Hague at the Detention Facilities. The SPO is mindful of the

procedural requirements set forth in the Rule 39(1)-(2) of the Rules of Procedure and

Evidence before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers.

4. [REDACTED],<sup>3</sup> [REDACTED].

5. [REDACTED].

III. CONFIDENTIALITY

6. This filing is strictly confidential and *ex parte* in accordance with Rules 82(4).

IV. RELIEF REQUESTED

7. The SPO respectfully requests the Pre-Trial Judge to authorise the Requested

Searches and Seizures.

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relevant evidence. *See* Submission of Indictment for Confirmation and Related Requests, KSC-BC-2020-04/F00002, 14 February 2020, para.12; Submission of Indictment for Confirmation and Related Requests, KSC-BC-2020-05/F00002, 14 February 2020, para.13; Request for Arrest Warrants and Related Orders, KSC-BC-2020-06/F00005, 28 May 2020, para.42.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Submission of Indictment for Confirmation and Related Requests, KSC-BC-2023-10/F00002, 11 September 2023, Strictly Confidential and *Ex Parte*.

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