



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

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

**Registrar:** Dr Fidelma Donlon

**Filing Participant:** Specialist Prosecutor's Office

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**Prosecution submission of proposed lesser redacted transcripts (W04753) and related request for suspension of time limits**

**with confidential Annex 1**

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1. Pursuant to the Oral Order<sup>1</sup> and following receipt of the relevant official transcript on 10 November 2023, the Specialist Prosecutor's Office ('SPO') sent *inter partes* the proposed lesser redacted transcripts for all private session testimony of W04753.<sup>2</sup> On 17 November 2023, the Witness Protection and Support Office ('WPSO') sent its response indicating that it agreed with the SPO's proposal and proposed two additional redactions,<sup>3</sup> which the SPO agrees with. On 20 November 2023, Victims' Counsel sent his response agreeing with the SPO's proposal. On 1 December 2023, the Defence replied that it had no further suggestions on the SPO's proposed redactions.
2. The SPO has consolidated all proposed redactions and related justifications in Annex 1.<sup>4</sup>
3. Finally, pursuant to Rule 9(5) of the Rules,<sup>5</sup> the SPO requests a suspension of transcript redaction review deadlines falling during the winter recess in order to allow all Parties and participants to conduct a meaningful review once official transcripts are notified. The only deadlines affected by this request would be the rolling 10-day deadlines for the SPO to propose redactions and the other Parties and participants to respond to the SPO's proposals.<sup>6</sup> The SPO requests that any transcript review deadlines falling during the recess be extended to 12 January 2024.
4. Annex 1 is confidential in accordance with Rule 82(4) and to give effect to existing protective measures.

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<sup>1</sup> Transcript, 7 November 2023, pp.9444-9446 ('Oral Order') (ordering, *inter alia*, the Parties and participants to engage *inter partes* in the review of private session testimony and propose lesser redacted versions of the official transcripts within thirty days).

<sup>2</sup> W00208's testimony on 2 November 2023 was conducted in public session and was therefore not part of the *inter partes* discussion.

<sup>3</sup> See Annex 1 (consolidated justifications, including from WPSO).

<sup>4</sup> The SPO's proposals are marked in red in Annex 1 and WPSO's proposals are marked in blue.

<sup>5</sup> Rules of Procedure and Evidence Before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers, KSC-BD-03/Rev3/2020, 2 June 2020 ('Rules'). All references to 'Rule' or 'Rules' herein refer to the Rules, unless otherwise specified.

<sup>6</sup> The requested extension does not impact the deadlines for review of private session testimonies of witnesses heard between April and 18 October 2023.

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