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Do you understand that?

1	Tuesday, 15 August 2023
2	[Open session]
3	[The accused entered the courtroom]
4	[The Accused Krasniqi appeared via videolink]
5	Upon commencing at 9.00 a.m.
6	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Madam Court Officer, please call the
7	case.
8	THE COURT OFFICER: Good morning, Your Honours. This is
9	KSC-BC-2020-06, The Specialist Prosecutor versus Hashim Thaci,
10	Kadri Veseli, Rexhep Selimi, and Jakup Krasniqi.
11	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Good morning, everybody. Today we
12	continue with Witness 3879.
13	Madam Court Usher, you will please bring the witness in.
14	And we are in public session.
15	[The witness takes the stand]
16	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Good morning, Witness. Can you hear me
17	all right?
18	THE WITNESS: [Interpretation] Good morning. Yes, I can hear
19	you.
20	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Today we will continue with your direct
21	examination and possibly cross-examination of you. We will begin
22	with the Prosecution once again.
23	Remember that you are under an obligation to tell the truth and
24	not to speak to anyone outside the courtroom about your testimony.

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THE WITNESS: [Interpretation] Yes.
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                          [Witness answered through interpretation]
          PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: All right. We will begin.
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           MR. HALLING: Thank you, Your Honour. For the next line of
      questioning, we would request to go into private session.
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           PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Madam Court Officer, please take us into
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           THE COURT OFFICER: Your Honours, we're now in public session.
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          PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: We are adjourned until 11.30.
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          PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Madam Usher, please bring the witness
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           Oh, I'm sorry.
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          MR. HALLING: Just quickly, Your Honour, before doing that, we
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     can say we'll finish in the next hour. We did want to inquire at
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     this time if a reserve witness is going to be necessary this week.
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     Guidance would be appreciated.
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          PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: You don't mean today?
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- this witness into tomorrow and Thursday. This is why I ask whether a
- 3 reserve witness is needed this week.
- 4 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Give us your best shot, gentlemen and
- 5 ladies.
- 6 MR. KEHOE: It's a little difficult to predict how this witness
- is going to answer a question, as I'm sure the Bench has seen. I
- will stay with my current estimate. I'm going to try to be shorter,
- 9 naturally. I don't want to put the SPO in a difficult spot with
- this, but I'm not sure how I can abbreviate it. It certainly will go
- into tomorrow. I think maybe this witness will be could be done
- tomorrow, depending on how it goes with him on our questioning and
- then the Court's questioning.
- 14 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: [Microphone not activated].
- How long at this time are you still suggesting?
- MR. ROBERTS: We had predicted three hours, Your Honour. We're
- still around about that, possibly slightly less. But, again, between
- 18 two and three at this stage.
- 19 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Okay.
- MR. STRONG: I think our initial estimate was around two hours.
- We can safely come down to under an hour, and we'll be looking to cut
- 22 further.
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Okay.
- 24 And Ms. Alagendra?
- MS. ALAGENDRA: I anticipate being about an hour at most,

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Your Honour. PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Well, it's probably going to get us through two more days anyway. It's hard to say. MR. HALLING: It is. But thank you for the information. PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Now you can bring the witness in. 5 [The witness takes the stand] PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: All right, Witness. We will proceed 7 continuing with the direct examination by the Specialist Prosecutor's 8 Office. 9 Go ahead, Mr. Halling. 10 MR. HALLING: Thank you, Your Honour. We would ask to move back 11 12 into private session. PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Private session, please. 13 14 [Private session] 15 [Private session text removed] 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23

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1 [Open session]

- THE COURT OFFICER: Your Honours, we're in public session.
- 3 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Thank you. We are adjourned until 2.30.
- 4 --- Luncheon recess taken at 12.43 p.m.
- --- On resuming at 2.33 p.m.
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Madam Usher, we're ready for the
- 7 witness. You can go bring him in.
- [The witness takes the stand]
- 9 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Are you ready, Witness?
- 10 THE WITNESS: [Interpretation] Yes, Your Honour.
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Mr. Roberts from the Selimi Defence will
- be asking questions of you in the cross-examination first.
- Go ahead, Mr. Roberts.
- MR. ROBERTS: Thank you, Your Honour.
- 15 Cross-examination by Mr. Roberts:
- 16 Q. Good afternoon, Witness. I hope you've had a nice lunch. I
- just wish to have a couple of explanations, first about my questions,
- hopefully to explain where I'm going from and to set you at ease.
- 19 So, firstly, they'll be short and direct, and I'll refer to you
- as a witness throughout. They're not meant to be rude. It's just
- trying to get through your evidence as quickly as possible. Is that
- 22 understood?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. They'll mostly be, if not entirely, in private session because
- of the nature of the questions that I'll ask you. If we do go into

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- open session and you feel that any of the information you need to 1
- give should be given in private session, obviously, please, just ask
- the Presiding Judge and we'll move into private session for you to do
- so.
- [No interpretation] 5 Α.
- Obviously, I'm asking questions in English. Please wait for the 6
- 7 translation of my question into Albanian even if you understand, and
- I'll try and wait for the translation, obviously, when I receive 8
- that. 9
- And, finally, if any of my questions are unclear, please ask or 10
- please inform me and I'll rephrase them. 11
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Mr. Roberts and Witness, we are in open 12
- session right now, just as a reminder. 13
- 14 MR. ROBERTS: Thank you, Your Honour. I was actually just about
- to ask to move into private session now, but thank you for the 15
- reminder. 16
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: All right. We will move to private 17
- session, Madam Court Officer. 18
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16	THE COURT OFFICER: Your Honours, we're in public session.
17	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: I made a mistake. Now we need to go
18	back into private session. I'm sorry.
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          THE COURT OFFICER: Your Honours, we're in public session.
          PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: All right. Thank you.
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