Procedural Matters (Private Session)

1	Tuesday, 17 September 2024
2	[Open session]
3	[The accused entered the courtroom]
4	[The Accused Thaci 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 file
9	KSC-BC-2020-06, The Specialist Prosecutor versus Hashim Thaci,
10	Kadri Veseli, Rexhep Selimi, and Jakup Krasniqi.
11	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Now, Ms. Tavakoli.
12	MS. TAVAKOLI: Thank you. Please, can we go into private
13	session
14	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Please, into
15	MS. TAVAKOLI: so I can just update.
16	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Please, into private session.
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9	THE COURT OFFICER: Your Honours, we're in public session.
10	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: All right.
11	All right, Ms. O'Reilly.
12	MS. O'REILLY: We probably will need to go back into private for
13	the witness, but for this purpose we're fine. I just wanted to
14	update the Court that I've gone over my notes. I don't think I'm
15	going to be able to come down in time. I might go a bit over what I
16	projected, but Mr. Ellis for Mr. Krasniqi has assured me that I can
17	borrow some of his time, if that's okay with you.
18	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Fine. Thank you very much for the
19	notice.
20	So, Madam Usher, please bring the witness in.
21	We will continue hearing the evidence of Prosecution
22	Witness W04737.
23	And, Madam Court Officer, you can take us back into private
24	session.

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2	THE COURT OFFICER: Your Honours, we're in public session.
3	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Thank you. We're adjourned for ten
4	minutes.
5	Break taken at 10.01 a.m.
6	On resuming at 10.12 a.m.
7	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Madam Usher, please bring the witness
8	in.
9	[The witness takes the stand]
10	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: All right. Witness, we will continue
11	with the questions from the Veseli Defence.
12	Go ahead, Ms. O'Reilly.
13	MS. O'REILLY: Thank you, Your Honour. Are we in private
14	session? Yeah? No.
15	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: [Microphone not activated].
16	MS. O'REILLY: Could we move into private session, please.
17	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: [Microphone not activated].
18	Please, into private session, Madam Court Officer.
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18	[Open session]
19	THE COURT OFFICER: I just, for the record, note that we are in
20	public session now.
21	MR. ROBERTS: Just to be absolutely clear, the Prosecution
22	cannot rely or tender any of these documents, I would presume
23	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Without putting it on their exhibit
24	list, they can't tender it, yes.
25	MR. ROBERTS: So any request to do so would require an

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- application, rather than merely non-opposition, from the Prosecution,
- 2 because they appear to be unaware that they are the ones that are
- 3 responsible for applying --
- 4 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: I believe you are correct.
- 5 MR. ROBERTS: Thank you very much.
- 6 MR. HALLING: We know that we need to apply to do that should
- 7 that be necessary, which it currently is not.
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Yes. I'm sure you've all done this
- 9 before.
- MS. O'REILLY: Your Honour, could we request written reasons for
- that decision that was issued just now?
- 12 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: [Microphone not activated].
- MS. O'REILLY: Those were reasons?
- 14 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Yeah.
- MS. O'REILLY: All right. Thank you, Your Honour.
- 16 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Anything else?
- We're adjourned until 2.30.
- 18 --- Luncheon recess taken at 1.01 p.m.
- --- On resuming at 2.30 p.m.
- 20 MR. HALLING: Your Honour --
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Madam Usher, you may bring the witness
- 22 in.
- MR. HALLING: Your Honours, apologies, before the witness is
- brought in, we had a small matter we wanted to put on the record.
- It's actually -- it's an update on the Rule 102(3) items on our

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redirect presentation queue for this -- I mean, call it an update. 1 It's really more of an apology and a withdrawal, and I think this is 2 going to resolve the leave to appeal application that we got notice of just before the lunch break. And I think I can do this in public session. 5 I now understand that I misstated the information that I had on 6 past instances. The witnesses I named in private session all had 7 redirect presentation queues, but they did not have Rule 102(3) items 8 on them. And because the Panel detrimentally relied on our error in 9 making the ruling, we would say that it's only fair, under the 10 circumstances, that we are going to not rely on those items and we 11 are not going to use them in our redirect examination of this 12 witness. 13 14 What I did say about the principle of the matter is still correct. That is still our position. But we would say that the 15 question of whether Rule 102(3) items can be on a redirect 16 presentation queue can be litigated at another time. 17 18 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Thank you very much. Into private session, please. 19 [The witness takes the stand] 20 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: [Microphone not activated] 21 [Private session] 22 [Private session text removed] 23 24

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THE COURT OFFICER: Your Honours, we're in public session.

PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: We'll take a short break while they try

- 3 to get this repaired.
- Witness, you can be excused for a few minutes. You can leave
- 5 the courtroom with the Court Usher.
- [The witness stands down]
- 7 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: We'll take ten minutes and see if we can
- get this resolved in that time period. We're adjourned for ten
- 9 minutes.
- --- Break taken at 2.57 p.m.
- --- On resuming at 3.11 p.m.
- 12 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: We will withdraw our oral order
- overruling Ms. O'Reilly's objection based upon the statement made by
- Mr. Halling at the outset this afternoon.
- Madam, you may bring the witness in.
- Mr. Ellis, I think we'll just continue at 3.30. We've had this
- 17 little break, so we'll just continue on till 4.30.
- 18 MR. ELLIS: Thank you, Your Honour.
- 19 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: If that becomes a problem and we need to
- 20 have a break, anybody, let us know.
- [The witness takes the stand]
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Into private session, please.
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13	THE COURT OFFICER: Your Honours, we're in public session.
14	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: We're adjourned until tomorrow at 9.00.
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