

1 Tuesday, 19 November 2024

2 [Open session]

3 [The accused entered the courtroom]

4 [The Accused Thaci appeared via videolink]

5 --- Upon commencing at 9.03 a.m.

6 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Please call the case,
7 Madam Court Officer.

8 THE COURT OFFICER: Good morning, Your Honours. This is case
9 KSC-BC-2020-06, The Specialist Prosecutor versus Hashim Thaci,
10 Kadri Veseli, Rexhep Selimi, and Jakup Krasniqi.

11 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: I note that the accused are all present
12 in court today except for Mr. Thaci, who has been authorised to
13 attend via videolink.

14 Madam Court Officer, please bring us into private session for
15 the protection of witnesses.

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25 [Open session]

1 THE COURT OFFICER: Your Honours, we are now in public session.

2 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Okay. We'll assume we can be back in
3 15 minutes. We're adjourned.

4 --- Break taken at 9.16 a.m.

5 --- On resuming at 9.37 a.m.

6 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: We're going to need about an hour to
7 further investigate what you've all asked and talked about, so we
8 will reconvene at 10.30 and hopefully have some answers for you at
9 that time.

10 MR. ROBERTS: Your Honour, can I --

11 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Adjourned till --

12 MR. ROBERTS: Can I just ask whether -- is it possible for
13 Mr. Selimi to, perhaps, return to the detention unit and follow any
14 further proceedings? Obviously, him waiting around during the day --
15 I just don't know if there's any likelihood of a witness being heard
16 today. I think it's almost nil, but I am not sure.

17 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: [Microphone not activated].

18 MR. ROBERTS: Okay.

19 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: I think probably for this hour he ought
20 to stay --

21 MR. ROBERTS: Okay.

22 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: -- tuned.

23 MR. ROBERTS: Understood.

24 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: We'll take into consideration after that
25 what we need to do.

1 MR. ROBERTS: Okay.

2 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Okay.

3 MR. ROBERTS: Thanks, Your Honour.

4 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: So we're adjourned till 10.30.

5 --- Recess taken at 9.38 a.m.

6 --- On resuming at 10.31 a.m.

7 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Mr. Koci is with us today.

8 Thank you for being with us, Mr. Koci.

9 MR. KOCI: [Microphone not activated].

10 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: You've all received -- with a written
11 waiver, you've all received a copy of the assessment that was made,
12 the -- okay. We are in public session. We should be in private
13 session, I'm sorry.

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18 [Open session]

19 THE COURT OFFICER: Your Honours, we are now in public session.

20 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: So we're adjourned till 12.00.

21 --- Recess taken at 11.29 a.m.

22 --- On resuming at 12.01 p.m.

23 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: The Panel has considered -- oh, I'm
24 sorry. Let's go into private session first.

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21 [Open session]

22 THE COURT OFFICER: Your Honours, we are now in public session.

23 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: All right. Adjourned till tomorrow at

24 9.00.

25 --- Whereupon the hearing adjourned at 12.08 p.m.