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1 Tuesday, 26 September 2023

[Open session]

[The accused entered the courtroom]

4 [The Accused Thaci and Krasniqi appeared

5 via videolink]

Procedural Matters (Open Session)

6 --- Upon commencing at 9.00 a.m.

PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Madam Court Officer, you may call the

8 case.

9 THE COURT OFFICER: Good morning, Your Honours. This is

10 KSC-BC-2020-06, The Specialist Prosecutor versus Hashim Thaci,

11 Kadri Veseli, Rexhep Selimi, and Jakup Krasniqi.

12 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Thank you.

Good morning, everyone. I note that the accused are present in

court except for Mr. Krasniqi and Mr. Thaci, who are attending by

15 videolink.

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So we're ready to continue. And I believe Mr. Tully asked for a

few extra minutes this morning, so we will do that. We are in public

18 session at this time.

19 Madam Usher, please escort the witness into the courtroom.

[The witness takes the stand]

PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Good morning, Witness.

THE WITNESS: [Interpretation] Good morning.

PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: I remind you that today we will continue

with your testimony and that you are still under an obligation to

tell the truth as stated in your declaration yesterday. Do you

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- recall that? 1
- THE WITNESS: [Interpretation] I do very well. And I swear that
- I will tell the truth, only the truth.
- WITNESS: W04644 [Resumed]
- [Witness answered through interpreter] 5
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: I remind you to please try to answer the
- questions clearly with short sentences. If you don't understand a 7
- question, as I told you yesterday, feel free to ask counsel to repeat 8
- the question or tell them you don't understand and they will clarify. 9
- Also, please try to remember to indicate the basis of your 10
- knowledge of the facts and circumstances upon which you will be 11
- questioned. 12
- Please remember to speak into the microphone and to wait five 13
- 14 seconds before answering a question to allow the interpreters to
- catch up. 15
- If you feel the need to take breaks, please make an indication 16
- and an accommodation will be made. 17
- 18 Are you ready to begin?
- THE WITNESS: [Interpretation] I am. Thank you. 19
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Mr. Tully will continue with some 20
- questions. 21
- MR. TULLY: Thank you, Your Honours. 22
- Cross-examination by Mr. Tully: [Continued] 23
- Q. And good morning, Witness. 24
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: We are in public session. 25

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MR. TULLY: Thanks for the reminder, Your Honour. PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Do you want to be in public session? MR. TULLY: No, I don't. Private session, please. PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: All right. Madam Court Officer, please take us to private session. [Private session] [Private session text removed]

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[Private session text removed] [Open session] THE COURT OFFICER: Your Honours, we're in public session. PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: One thing that came up yesterday, Mr. Tully, the MFI 393 will be admitted. We'll determine the weight

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- to be given those documents since they are, in effect, hearsay and 1
- have some issue of authenticity since no one came to identify them,
- but they will be admitted.
- Also, I failed to ask this morning, Mr. Misetic, were you able
- to restore phone contact with your client? 5
- MR. MISETIC: I can't speak to the phone, but we were able to
- 7 get a Zoom last night.
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Okay. 8
- MR. MISETIC: So that was how it was solved. 9
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Okay. As long as you were able to 10
- communicate. 11
- MR. MISETIC: Yes. Yes. 12
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Thank you. 13
- 14 So we'll call the next witness in, please, Madam Usher.
- MR. KEHOE: [Microphone not activated] 15
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: [Microphone not activated] 16
- MR. HAFETZ: Just a very minor one, Judge. Two minutes. 17
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: [Microphone not activated] 18
- MR. KEHOE: [Microphone not activated] 19
- PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: While you're doing that, the next 20
- witness was granted a closed session, so we will be shutting the 21
- curtain. Not that there's anybody up there, but we'll do that. You 22
- can actually do that at this -- well, yeah, let's close it now for 23
- identification purposes also. 24
- 25 MR. KEHOE: Just for scheduling purposes, Your Honour --

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PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: [Microphone not activated] 1 MR. KEHOE: Just for scheduling purposes, I understand the Selimi team is going to go first, but I think that my cross will be 3 significantly less than anticipated. PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: [Microphone not activated] 5 MR. KEHOE: Yes. I think that we -- notice has been given to the --7 PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: [Microphone not activated] 8 MR. TULLY: It is, Your Honour. You've got a few more minutes 9 with me. I think my time is going to be maybe shorter as well. I'm 10 not sure what we indicated, but now it's sitting at 30 to 45 minutes. 11 [Closed session] 12 [Closed session text removed] 13 14 15 16 17 18

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3	THE COURT OFFICER: Your Honours, we're in public session.
4	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: So we're adjourned until 11.30.
5	Recess taken at 11.03 a.m.
6	On resuming at 11.31 a.m.
7	PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: Madam Court Officer, please, into closed
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[Closed session text removed] [Open session] THE COURT OFFICER: Your Honours, we're in public session. PRESIDING JUDGE SMITH: All right. We're adjourned. --- Whereupon the hearing adjourned at 12.50 p.m.

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