



KOSOVO SPECIALIST CHAMBERS
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In: KSC-BC-2020-06
The Prosecutor v. Hashim Thaçi, Kadri Veseli, Rexhep Selimi and Jakup Krasniqi

Before: Pre-Trial Judge
Judge Nicolas Guillou

Registrar: Dr Fidelma Donlon

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**Notification of Appointment of New Counsel for Hashim Thaçi
and Approval of Co-Counsel**

with confidential and *ex parte* Annexes 1-2

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1. Pursuant to Rule 26(1) of the Rules¹ and the decision of the Pre-Trial Judge,² the Registrar hereby notifies the Pre-Trial Judge of the appointment of Mr Gregory Kehoe ('Mr Kehoe') as new Counsel for Mr Hashim Thaçi ('Mr Thaçi').
2. On 25 May 2021, the Pre-Trial Judge approved the request for the early termination of the representation of Mr Thaçi by Mr David Hooper ('Mr Hooper') and directed the Registrar to immediately appoint Mr Kehoe as Counsel for Mr Thaçi and thereafter submit a notice of appointment.³ Accordingly, the Registrar hereby informs the Pre-Trial Judge that on 25 May 2021, she terminated the appointment of Mr Hooper as Counsel and appointed Mr Kehoe as replacement Counsel for Mr Thaçi, in accordance with Sections 12 and 13 of the Directive on Counsel.⁴
3. Pursuant to Rule 26(1) of the Rules, the Registrar further informs the Pre-Trial Judge of the approval of Co-Counsel for Mr Thaçi, namely Mr Luka Misetic ('Mr Misetic'). On 25 May 2021, newly appointed Counsel for Mr Thaçi, Mr Kehoe, informed the Head of the Defence Office that he would like to be assisted by Mr Misetic as Co-Counsel. At that time, Mr Kehoe provided all relevant documentation pursuant to Section 18 of the Directive on Counsel, and Mr Misetic is admitted to the List of Counsel pursuant to Sections 7(3) and 18(1) of the Directive on Counsel.⁵ Accordingly, on 26 May 2021, the Registrar approved Mr Misetic as Co-Counsel for Mr Thaçi in accordance with Section 18 of the Directive on Counsel.⁶
4. This submission is filed as public, whereas Annexes 1 and 2 are filed confidentially pursuant to Rule 82(1)(b) and (3) of the Rules, for distribution to

¹ Rules of Procedure and Evidence Before the Specialist Chambers, KSC-BD-03/Rev3/2020, 2 June 2020 ('Rules'); *see also* Law No. 05/L-053 on Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor's Office, 3 August 2015, arts 21(4), 21(5), 34(7) and 41(4)(b).

² KSC-BC-2020-06, F00320, Decision Approving the Withdrawal of Counsel for Hashim Thaçi, 25 May 2021, para. 11.

³ *Ibid.*

⁴ *See* Annex 1, Appointment Letter, KSC/REG/IOR/4086, 25 May 2021.

⁵ *See* Decision on Admission to the List of Specialist Counsel, KSC/REG/DEF/0036, 2 May 2018.

⁶ *See* Annex 2, Letter of Approval, Selection of Co-Counsel, KSC/REG/IOR/4110, 26 May 2021.

Counsel and Co-Counsel only, as they contain personal information concerning Counsel and Co-Counsel.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fidelma Donlon".

Dr Fidelma Donlon
Registrar

Thursday, 27 May 2021
At The Hague, the Netherlands