

File number: KSC-CC-PR-2020-09

Before: The Specialist Chamber of the Constitutional Court

Judge Vidar Stensland, Presiding

Judge Roland Dekkers Judge Antonio Balsamo

Registrar: Fidelma Donlon

Date: 7 May 2020

Language: English

File name: Referral of Amendments to the Rules of Procedure and Evidence

Pursuant to Article 19(5) of the Law

Classification: Public

Decision on the Working Language

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- 1. On 29 and 30 April 2020, the Judges of the Kosovo Specialist Chambers sitting in plenary adopted amendments to the Rules of Procedure and Evidence Before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers (the "Rules"). The Constitutional Judges did not participate in their adoption.
- 2. On 1 May 2020, the President of the Specialist Chambers referred to the Specialist Chamber of the Constitutional Court (the "Chamber") the aforementioned amendments to the Rules pursuant to Article 19(5) of the Law No. 05/L-053 on Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor's Office (the "Law").²
- 3. The same day, the President of the Specialist Chambers, pursuant to Article 33(3) of the Law, assigned the above Constitutional Court Panel to review the amendments to the Rules, in order to ensure their compliance with Chapter II of the Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo, including its Article 55.
- 4. Article 20 of the Law and Rule 5 of the Rules of Procedure for the Specialist Chamber of the Constitutional Court provide that the Panel shall decide the working languages for its proceedings. The Panel decides that the working language of the present proceedings shall be English with official translation or interpretation provided by the Registry into the official languages of the Specialist Chambers.

² Ibid.

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 $^{^{1}}$ KSC-CC-PR-2020-09, F00001, Referral of Amendments to the Rules of Procedure and Evidence to the Specialist Chamber of the Constitutional Court, public with confidential annex, 1 May 2020.

FOR THESE REASONS, THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT PANEL

Decides that the working language of the present proceedings shall be English with official translation or interpretation provided by the Registry into the official languages of the Specialist Chambers.

Judge Vidar Stensland Presiding Judge

Vida Chustand

Done in English on Thursday, 7 May 2020 At The Hague, the Netherlands