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Update

Welcome to the weekly press briefing of the Kosovo Specialist Chambers, where we aim to provide you with an update on the latest developments at the court and a look ahead at next week.

In the Gucati and Haradinaj case, the fourth witness called by the Prosecution finished his testimony last Friday, 5 November. The witness was an SPO staff member and testified without protective measures.

On Monday, the trial proceedings continued with the SPO requesting permission to appeal a decision by the Trial Panel on disclosure. The SPO's request was rejected by the Trial Panel on Wednesday and the decision can be found on our website.

Also on Monday, the Defence for Mr Gucati and Mr Haradinaj said that they intend to seek the dismissal of at least five counts of the indictment against their clients. The Trial Panel has ordered the Defence to file any such motions by 17 November.

On 10 November, the SPO in this case filed a notice formally indicating that it closed its case. The Trial Panel set a tentative date of 6 December for the opening of the Defence case.

In the Salih Mustafa trial, the testimony of the sixth witness started on Wednesday. The witness has been testifying about his experience as a detainee at the Zllash/Zlaš detention compound. The witness has been testifying with protective measures, including the use of a pseudonym as well as face and voice distortion.





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On 10 November, the Pre-Trial Judge ordered Pjëter Shala's continued detention. The decision can be found on our website. The next pre-trial hearing in this case is scheduled for next Monday, 15 November.

**Journalist Questions** There were no questions asked



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