



BULLETIN OF THE BASIC PROSECUTION IN PRIZREN

April - June 2024



This bulletin will reflect the main activities carried out in the Basic Prosecution in Prizren for the period April - June 2024.

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Chief Prosecutor Shala met with members of the Swiss KFOR

Prizren, April 5, 2024 - The Chief Prosecutor of the Basic Prosecution in Prizren, Admir Shala, today, received representatives of the Swiss KFOR military unit in a meeting.

Initially, Chief Prosecutor Shala welcomed the attendees and thanked them for their ongoing cooperation. He informed them about the organization and constitutional functioning of the Prizren Prosecution, along with the challenges and goals of this prosecution.

They also discussed cooperation with other justice institutions, transparency, citizen access to the prosecution, and meetings with citizens.

At the end of the meeting, the parties agreed to continue their mutual cooperation.

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Indictment for Aggravated Murder

Prizren, April 15, 2024 – The Basic Prosecution in Prizren, Department for Serious Crimes, has filed an indictment against the defendant A.G., due to a well-founded suspicion that he committed the criminal offenses of “Aggravated Murder” under Article 173, “Unauthorized Ownership, Control, or Possession of Weapons” under Article 366, and “Destruction or Damage to Property” under Article 321 of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (CCRK).

According to the indictment, on 03.09.2023 at around 18:45, in Prizren, in the “Arbanë” neighborhood, the defendant A.G. deprived another person of life and, in doing so, intentionally endangered the lives of multiple persons. Following a sudden altercation that occurred a few minutes earlier between the defendant and the victim, the defendant A.G. drove to his house, retrieved an AK-47 assault rifle, got into his vehicle, and drove towards the victim. Upon arriving at the scene, he spotted the victim B.M., who was walking with the injured parties H.Th. (the victim's wife), A.M. (the victim's eight-year-old daughter), R.M., and H.Sh. The defendant confronted them with his vehicle, equipped with the AK-47, got out of the car, and fired a burst at the victim B.M., hitting him in the front of the body. The victim fell to the ground from the injuries. The defendant approached the victim, pointed the weapon at his head, and executed him by firing another burst of ten bullets at the victim's head, hitting him in the head. The victim died at the scene from the injuries sustained. The injured parties H.Th. and A.M. remained near the victim the entire time, while the injured party R.M. managed to hide behind a wall near the scene, and the injured party H.Sh. hid behind the defendant's vehicle. The defendant fled towards his vehicle, saw the injured party H.Sh., pointed the weapon at him, and when the injured party said, “I didn’t do anything, I only tried to separate you,” the defendant told him to leave, got into his “Volkswagen Tiguan” vehicle, and fled the scene in an unknown direction, thereby

endangering the lives of the injured parties H.Th. (the victim's wife), A.M. (the victim's eight-year-old daughter), R.M., and H.Sh.

Through these actions, the defendant A.G. committed the aforementioned criminal offenses. The prosecutor in charge of the case, upon filing the indictment, proposed to the Court that after the trial, the administration, and evaluation of evidence, the defendant should be found guilty of the criminal offenses for which he is charged and sentenced according to the law.

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Notice regarding the attempted murder in Dragash

Prizren, April 26, 2024 – The Basic Prosecution in Prizren informs the public that, by the decision of the State Prosecutor, the suspect O.M., from the village of Brodosanë – Dragash Municipality, has been detained for 48 hours due to the suspicion that he fired a gun and injured the victim K.Q. (his former father-in-law) in Dragash, following a prior dispute related to the divorce process between his daughter and the suspect.

The suspect M.O. is suspected of the criminal offenses of “Attempted Murder” under Article 172 in conjunction with Article 28, and “Unauthorized Ownership, Control, or Possession of Weapons” under Article 366, paragraph 1, according to the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (CCRK).

The Basic Prosecution in Prizren will, within the legal deadline, submit a request for the imposition of pre-trial detention against the suspect O.M.

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Regular meeting of the coordination mechanism for domestic violence cases held

Prizren, April 29, 2024 – The Chief Prosecutor of the Basic Prosecution in Prizren, Admir Shala, together with the Coordinator for domestic violence cases, Prosecutor Mehreme Hoxha, held a meeting with the coordinating group, responsible for handling domestic violence cases and criminal offenses within the jurisdiction of this prosecution.

Present at the meeting were prosecutors coordinating domestic violence cases, representatives from the Kosovo Police for the Prizren region, representatives from the Prizren Directorate of Education, victim advocates, representatives from the Free Legal Aid Office, representatives from the Mental Health Center in Prizren, representatives from the Center for Social Work, shelter representatives, and officials from the Probation Service.

At this meeting, Chief Prosecutor Shala called for mobilization from all institutions dealing with these cases, so that domestic violence cases can be prevented. He also requested that these cases be treated as a priority, risk assessments be conducted, and in every case where there is a legal basis, the imposition of pre-trial detention should be sought.

Meanwhile, Prosecutor Hoxha emphasized that domestic violence cases are sensitive and requested that attention be paid to the victims of domestic violence so that they are not re-victimized.

During the meeting, all participants highly valued the existing cooperation between the competent institutions for handling these cases and noted that domestic violence cases are the most challenging





to handle, especially when dealing with perpetrators with mental disorders and those addicted to drugs, alcohol, etc.

As a result of the discussions, with the aim of efficiently handling these cases, the participants at the end of the meeting made the following recommendations:

- Domestic violence cases should remain confidential and not be disclosed in the media;
- The lack of medical therapy for perpetrators with mental disorders and for those addicted to drugs, alcohol, and other intoxicating substances, as well as the lack of adequate institutions for the treatment of these individuals;
- The opening of separate shelters for male victims over the age of 12 and for victims from the LGBT community.

At the end of the meeting, all participants agreed to continue their cooperation so that all relevant institutions carry out their duties and responsibilities with diligence and professionalism, ensuring that domestic violence victims are treated with full professionalism and dignity.

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Indictment for the Triple Fatality Case on the Highway

Prizren, May 2, 2024 - The Basic Prosecution in Prizren, Department for Serious Crimes, has filed an indictment against the defendants A.S. and I.H., who are currently in detention on remand due to well-founded suspicion that they jointly committed the criminal offense of “Endangering Public Traffic” under Article 370, paragraph 5 in connection with paragraph 1, and Article 31 of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (CCRK).

According to the indictment, on December 16, 2023, at around 10:30 p.m., on the "Ibrahim Rugova" highway in Prizren, specifically at kilometer fifteen (15) of the "Prizren-North" road axis heading

toward the "Prizren-South" road axis, where the speed limit is 120 km/h, the defendants A.S. and I.H., acting together, violated Law No. 05/L-088 on Road Traffic Rules. They had previously organized an illegal car race, with the first defendant, A.S., positioning his vehicle in the left lane of the road, while the second defendant, I.H., positioned his vehicle in the right lane. They began the race, driving their vehicles side by side at a speed significantly exceeding the legal limit. The first defendant, A.S., lost control of his vehicle, veering diagonally from the left lane and colliding with vehicle C, which was stopped in the emergency lane of the highway. As a result, the vehicle struck pedestrians who were watching the race, specifically the victims N.B., M.D., and L.S., who were killed on impact. Additionally, the injured parties M.Z. and B.P. sustained severe bodily injuries, while S.Z. sustained minor injuries. All of the injured individuals were present at the critical scene, observing the illegal race.

The prosecutor in the case, upon filing the indictment, has proposed to the Court that after the main trial, the administration, and evaluation of the evidence, the defendants be found guilty of the criminal offense for which they are charged and sentenced according to the law.

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Indictment for Drug Trafficking and Illegal Border Crossing

Prizren, May 14, 2024 – The Basic Prosecution in Prizren, Department for Serious Crimes, has filed an indictment against the defendant E.D., a citizen of Albania, who is currently in detention on remand due to well-founded suspicion that he committed the criminal offenses of “Unauthorized Purchase, Possession, Distribution, and Sale of Narcotic Drugs, Psychotropic Substances, and Analogues” under Article 267, and “Unauthorized Crossing of Border Crossing Points or the Borderline” under Article 140 of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (CCRK).

According to the indictment, on February 22, 2024, at approximately 5:00 p.m., in the village of Vërmica, Municipality of Prizren, the defendant E.D., with the intention of selling narcotics, illegally imported substances or preparations that are legally classified as narcotics. Along with another individual (who remains unidentified), they entered the territory of the Republic of Kosovo illegally

via mountainous routes. They were caught in the act by the Kosovo Border Police and attempted to flee towards the village of Vërmica. However, the defendant was arrested, and two (2) bags filled with a narcotic substance, namely marijuana, weighing a total of 31,596.54 grams (31 kilograms, 596 grams, and 54 milligrams) were seized at the scene. These bags were carried by the defendant on his back. Additionally, after searching the defendant's vehicle, a "Fiat Croma," the police found and seized a plastic bag containing cocaine weighing a total of 49.78 grams (49 grams and 78 milligrams). These narcotic substances were intended to be sold and distributed unlawfully within the territory of the Republic of Kosovo.

Through these actions, the defendant E.D. fulfilled the elements of the criminal offenses of "Unauthorized Purchase, Possession, Distribution, and Sale of Narcotic Drugs, Psychotropic Substances, and Analogues" and "Unauthorized Crossing of Border Crossing Points or the Borderline" as per the CCRK.

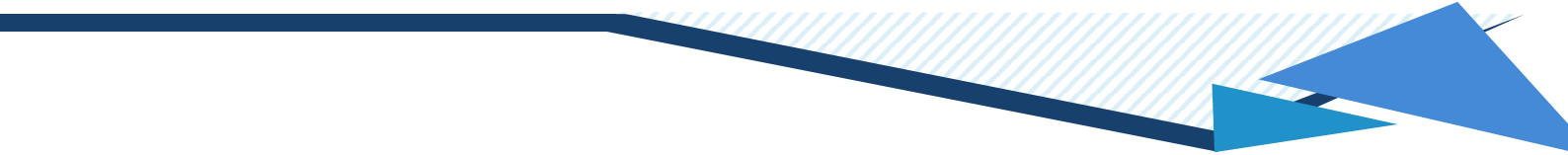
The prosecutor in the case, upon filing the indictment, has proposed to the Court that after the judicial review, the administration, and evaluation of the evidence, the defendant be found guilty of the criminal offenses for which he is charged and sentenced in accordance with the law.

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Indictment for abuse of official position

Prizren, June 6, 2024 - The Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren, Department of Serious Crimes, has filed an indictment against the defendants I.G., B.R., due to the well-founded suspicion that they have committed the criminal offense "Abuse of official position or authority" under Article 414, paragraph 1 related to article 31, of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (CCRK).

According to the indictment, dated 04.04.2022 in Prizren, in the capacity of official persons - the defendant I.G., as manager of the Unit for Human Resources Management within the Municipality of Prizren, and the defendant B.R., as a senior personnel officer of the Unit in question



- at the same time as members of the recruiting committee regarding the competition announced by the Municipality of Prizren on 03.03.2022 - published on 04.04.2022 - for the recruitment of 12 general practitioners in the HCMFs, of the Municipality of Prizren, using official duty or authority, in complicity, do not fulfill official duties in order for the other person to benefit financially, or in order to cause damage or even violate the rights of other persons - other competing candidates, in such a way that during the checking of the application files of the competing candidates in the competition in question, deliberately neglect the criterion of the work license provided as one of the basic criteria according to the competition in question, so that even though the competing candidates A.N., B.M., A.G., and V.M., from the moment of application until the closing of the competition deadline, were not equipped with a work license, they nevertheless approve the application file as regular, so that contrary to the previous conditions of the competition, enable the candidates in question to take part in the written and oral test, as well as to be selected as the winning candidates for the job as a general practitioner physician, according to the Decision taken by the Selection Committee dated 19.07.2022, which then proves that the A.N. candidate is equipped with work license 10 days after the closing of the competition in question, namely on 21.04.2022.

In this way, the defendants I.G. and B.R., have committed the criminal offense of "Abuse of official position or authority" under the CCRK.

The prosecutor of the case, when the indictment was filed, proposed to the Court that after holding the main trial, administration of the evidence and their evaluation, the aforementioned defendants for the criminal offense for which they are accused should be declared guilty and punished according to the law.

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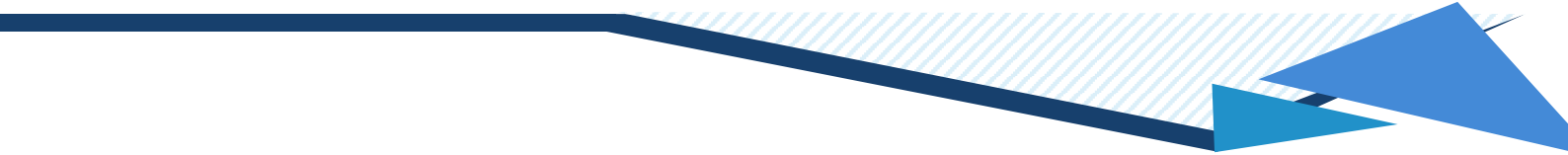
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Students from “Ukshin Hoti” University Visit the Basic Prosecution in Prizren

Prizren, May 16, 2024 – A group of law students from “Ukshin Hoti” University in Prizren, accompanied by professors, visited the Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren with the aim of gaining direct insight into the workings of this institution.

The primary goal of this visit was to educate the students and provide them with practical and hands-on knowledge about the prosecution's operations. The Chief Prosecutor of the Basic Prosecution in Prizren, Admir Shala, welcomed the students.



During the meeting, Chief Prosecutor Shala praised the students' visit and briefed them on the functioning and efficiency of the prosecution. He also provided an overview of the daily work of prosecutors.

Furthermore, Shala informed the students about the cooperation between the prosecution, the police, the courts, and other justice institutions. The students were also briefed on the procedures related to case handling, from the receipt of criminal reports, the investigation phase, the filing of indictments, the dismissal of investigations, or the rejection of criminal reports, to the representation of criminal cases in court and the extradition procedures of individuals who commit various crimes.

Following the initial presentation, an open discussion was held with the students. Chief Prosecutor Admir Shala answered their questions, which focused on various aspects of the prosecution's work. One of the key areas of interest for the students was learning about the procedure for reporting cases to law enforcement agencies, the investigation process concerning juvenile offenders, as well as issues related to the transparency and accountability of the institution.

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Chief Prosecutor of Prizren Decorated by the OSCE Ambassador to Kosovo

Prizren, May 29, 2024 – The Chief Prosecutor of the Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren, Mr. Admir Shala, was awarded a recognition by the OSCE Ambassador to Kosovo, Mr. Michael Davenport, during a ceremony held in Prizren, in honor of the 25th anniversary of the OSCE in Kosovo.

Chief Prosecutor Shala was recognized for his dedication to advancing democracy and human rights.

During the ceremony, the OSCE Ambassador, Davenport, emphasized that the work of the Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren, led by Chief Prosecutor Shala, has played a significant role in promoting positive changes within the community and beyond, continuously providing support and ongoing cooperation.

On the other hand, Chief Prosecutor Shala expressed his gratitude to the OSCE Mission for its ongoing contribution to the justice system in Kosovo.

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Chief Prosecutor Admir Shala's Appreciation for the Valuable Role and Contribution of Prosecutors Shahadin Destani and Naim Gashi at the Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren



Prizren, May 31, 2024 - The Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren organized a farewell meeting for two prosecutors from the General Department, Shahadin Destani and Naim Gashi, who have been promoted from this prosecution office and will continue their work at the Special Prosecution Office of the Republic of Kosovo (SPRK).

On this occasion, Chief Prosecutor Admir Shala thanked and congratulated the prosecutors for their contributions to the Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren. He also highly valued their continuous commitment and cooperation in advancing the processes and achieving the prosecution's objectives. Additionally, Chief Prosecutor Shala wished prosecutors Destani and Gashi success in their professional and personal journeys.

As a token of respect for their contribution to this prosecution office, Chief Prosecutor Shala presented certificates of appreciation to prosecutors Shahadin Destani and Naim Gashi.

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Indictment for Abuse of Official Position

Prizren, June 6, 2024 – The Basic Prosecution in Prizren, Serious Crimes Department, has filed an indictment against the defendants I.G. and B.R. on well-founded suspicion that they committed the criminal offense of "Abuse of Official Position or Authority" under Article 414, paragraph 1, in relation to Article 31 of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (CCRK).

According to the indictment, on April 4, 2022, in Prizren, in their capacities as officials – the defendant I.G., as the manager of the Human Resources Management Unit within the Municipality of Prizren, and the defendant B.R., as a senior personnel officer in the same unit – both also being members of the recruitment commission for the competition announced by the Municipality of Prizren on March 3, 2022, published on April 4, 2022, for the recruitment of 12 general practitioners in the QKMF (Primary Health Care Centers) of the Municipality of Prizren, they used their official position or authority, in complicity, by failing to fulfill their official duties with the intent to enable another person to gain material benefits or to cause damage or violate the rights of other candidates.

Specifically, during the review of the application files of the competing candidates for the aforementioned competition, they deliberately neglected the requirement of a work license, which was one of the basic criteria according to the competition. Despite the fact that candidates A.N., B.M., A.G., and V.M. were not equipped with a work license from the time of application until the closing of the competition, their application files were still approved as valid. As a result, these candidates were allowed to participate in the written and oral tests and were selected as successful candidates for the physician positions according to the Selection Committee's decision of July 19, 2022. It was later confirmed that candidate A.N. obtained the work license 10 days after the closing of the competition, specifically on April 21, 2022.

In this manner, the defendants I.G. and B.R. committed the criminal offense of "Abuse of Official Position or Authority" under the CCRK.

The prosecutor in the case, upon filing the indictment, proposed to the Court that after the judicial hearing, the administration and evaluation of the evidence, the above-mentioned defendants be found guilty of the offense for which they are charged and be sentenced according to the law.

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Indictment for Abuse of Official Position

Prizren, June 20, 2024 – The Basic Prosecution in Prizren, Serious Crimes Department, has filed an indictment against the defendants B.B. and B.K. on well-founded suspicion that, in complicity, they committed the criminal offense of "Abuse of Official Position or Authority" under Article 422, paragraph 1, in relation to paragraph 2, point 2.1, and Article 31 of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (CCRK).

According to the indictment, the defendants B.B. and B.K., from May 22, 2018, to October 22, 2018, in Suhareka, in their capacities as public officials, with the defendant B.B. acting as the Contract Manager for the project: "Construction and Renovation of Sports and Cultural Facilities," and the defendant B.K. serving as the Supervisor for the same project, exceeded their official duties. In violation of Article 61 of the Rules and Operational Guidelines for Public Procurement, without the approval of the chief administrative officer – the Mayor of Suhareka – defendant B.K. altered, and defendant B.B. approved the preliminary estimates and cost assessments during the execution of the work.

Specifically, in the sports courts in the villages of Peqan, Sllapuzhan, and Buzhalë, instead of using plastified metal fencing profiles for the sports court enclosures, they altered the specifications to galvanized metal profiles. In the sports court in the village of Buzhalë, they also changed the preliminary estimates and cost assessments, replacing the concrete surface of the sports field with

natural grass, causing material damage to the Municipality of Suhareka in the amount of €6,839.42, while allowing the economic operator based in Prishtina to gain material benefits of €6,839.42.

The prosecutor in the case, upon filing the indictment, has proposed to the Court that, after the judicial hearing, administration of evidence, and evaluation, the above-mentioned defendants be found guilty of the criminal offense for which they are charged and be sentenced in accordance with the law.

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Indictment for Drug Possession and Trafficking

Prizren, June 21, 2024 – The Basic Prosecution in Prizren, Serious Crimes Department, has filed an indictment against the defendants K.Th., A.K., and J.B. on well-founded suspicion of having committed the criminal offenses of "Unauthorized Purchase, Possession, Distribution, and Sale of Narcotics, Psychotropic Substances, and Analogues" under Article 267, and "Unauthorized Possession of Narcotics, Psychotropic Substances, and Analogues" under Article 269 of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (CCRK).

According to the indictment, on March 14, 2024, at approximately 16:40 in Prizren on "Xhemaj Bjediqi" street, specifically behind a bakery, the defendants A.K. and K.Th., acting as co-perpetrators, with the intent to sell and distribute unauthorized narcotics, possessed a quantity of marijuana. While sitting at a table behind the bakery with several bags of marijuana, they were intercepted by the police. The police discovered and seized, from the table where the defendants were sitting, marijuana with a net weight of 0.60 grams, and one plastic bag containing 2.42 grams of marijuana. Additionally, in the defendant A.K.'s motorcycle, the police found and seized thirty-five (35) plastic bags of marijuana weighing 73.63 grams, one (1) plastic bag with marijuana weighing 49.63 grams (with a total drug weight of 126.28 grams), one (1) gray electronic scale used for weighing narcotics, and fifteen (15) euros, suspected to be proceeds from drug sales. The two defendants, acting in complicity, committed the criminal offense of "Unauthorized Purchase,

Possession, Distribution, and Sale of Narcotics, Psychotropic Substances, and Analogues" under the CCRK.

Defendant A.K., on March 31, 2024, at approximately 13:05 in Prizren, distributed unauthorized marijuana by meeting with the defendant J.B. on "Ibrahim Rugova" street, where he exchanged 240 plastic bags used for packaging narcotics for one dose of marijuana weighing 0.27 grams. Through these actions, the defendant committed the criminal offense of "Unauthorized Purchase, Possession, Distribution, and Sale of Narcotics, Psychotropic Substances, and Analogues" under the CCRK.

Meanwhile, on March 31, 2024, at approximately 13:05 in Prizren, defendant J.B. unlawfully possessed 0.27 grams of marijuana, which he had received from defendant A.K. in exchange for 240 plastic bags. By these actions, he committed the criminal offense of "Unauthorized Possession of Narcotics, Psychotropic Substances, and Analogues" under the CCRK.

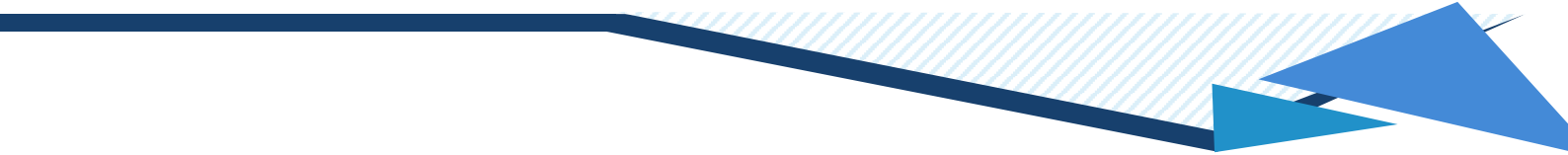
The prosecutor in the case, upon filing the indictment, has proposed to the Court that, after the judicial hearing, administration of evidence, and evaluation, the above-mentioned defendants be found guilty of the criminal offenses they are charged with and be sentenced according to the law.

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Indictment for Attempted Murder

Prizren, June 27, 2024 – The Basic Prosecution in Prizren, Serious Crimes Department, has filed an indictment against the defendants H.Z. and R.Z. for committing, in co-perpetration, the criminal offense of "Attempted Murder" under Article 172, in conjunction with Articles 28 and 31, of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (CCRK).

According to the indictment, on May 10, 2024, at around 18:51, on "New Transit" street in the Arbana neighborhood of Prizren, specifically at an auto repair shop, the defendants intentionally began committing the crime of murder against the victim J.B., but did not complete it. Following a prior disagreement regarding the servicing of a vehicle that had occurred the previous day between the



defendant H.Z. and the victim J.B., while the victim was working inside a vehicle in his workshop, the defendants H.Z. and R.Z. suddenly appeared without saying a word. As the victim was inside the vehicle and in a defenseless position, the defendants drew knives and struck the victim several times in the neck and left ear area. The attack was interrupted when a witness, Sh.B., intervened to prevent further assault. As a result of the wounds inflicted by a sharp weapon on vital parts of his body, the victim was taken to the Regional Hospital of Prizren "Prim. Dr. Daut Mustafa," with injuries described in the forensic medical report. After committing the crime, the defendants fled the scene in their "Mercedes Benz 220C" vehicle and remained unreachable by law enforcement authorities until May 11, 2024.

The prosecutor in the case, upon filing the indictment, has proposed to the Court that, after the judicial hearing, administration of evidence, and evaluation, the above-mentioned defendants be found guilty of the criminal offense they are charged with and be sentenced according to the law.