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Acting Chief State Prosecutor participated in the inauguration ceremony of the new facility of the Basic Court in Gjakova

Gjakova, 10 September 2024 – The Acting Chief State Prosecutor, Mr. Besim Kelmendi, during today has participated in the inauguration ceremony of the new facility of the Basic Court in Gjakova.

During his speech, Acting Chief Prosecutor Kelmendi emphasized that this court will already have better and efficient services, at the same time the good work that will be done in this facility will be an achievement of the entire judicial system and will enable easier access of citizens to justice.



Also, the Acting Chief State Prosecutor has declared that this facility will facilitate the daily work of prosecutors who participate in court hearings due to the close distance it has with the Basic Prosecution in Gjakova.

The ceremony, organized by the Kosovo Judicial Council (KJC), was attended by heads of institutions from the prosecutorial and judicial system, heads of municipalities whose territory is covered by this court and international partners.

Meeting was held to draft the strategic plan of the prosecutorial system 2025-2027

Prishtina, September 19, 2024 – In the framework of the drafting of the Strategic Plan of the Prosecutorial System 2025-2027, today was held the first two-day meeting of the Working Group for the drafting of this plan, chaired by the Deputy Chairman of the Kosovo Prosecutorial

Council, Ms. Jehona Grantolli, with the support of OSCE.



This meeting is attended by the Chairman of the KPC, Mr. Ardian Hajdaraj, Acting Chief State Prosecutor, Mr. Besim Kelmendi, members of the KPC, chief prosecutors, prosecutors of the Office of the Chief State Prosecutor, Director of SKPC and representatives of the US Embassy and the EU Office.

Initially, during the first session of this meeting, the report on the implementation of the Strategic Plan 2024-2026 was presented, whereby the achievements and challenges of this period were underlined.

During the meeting, the members of the Working Group analyzed the current state of the prosecutorial system in addition to the pillars and objectives of the previous plan, and based on these discussions was addressed the working methodology, which will be used for the drafting of this plan.



Among other things, the Head of the Working Group, Deputy Chairwoman of the KPC, Ms. Jehona Grantolli, emphasized the importance of strategic planning as a guide and solid foundation

for achieving the objectives of the prosecutorial system and fulfilling the constitutional and legal mandate. *“One of the key steps will be to identify priority areas where we can improve our services, increase professionalism and guarantee an independent and fair prosecutorial system”*, said Ms. Grantolli.

During the discussions, the need for proper handling of the objectives of this plan was emphasized, including advancing and improving procedures and processes to ensure that cases are dealt with quickly and with quality, strengthening transparency mechanisms to increase public confidence in the prosecutorial system, providing specific training for prosecutors to improve professional capacities, fostering cooperation with other institutions to address complex issues and improve coordination with international partners, increasing capacities to identify and prosecute cases of corruption and organized crime, as well as using technology to improve management of information and work efficiency and other issues.

The meeting will continue through tomorrow.

Acting Chief State Prosecutor is participating in a regional conference on "Effectiveness of the Judiciary in Judging Organized Crime and Corruption in the Western Balkans"

Budva, 27 September 2024 – In the framework of the exchange of experiences of regional justice systems, the Acting Chief State Prosecutor, Mr. Besim Kelmendi, together with the Chairman of the Kosovo Prosecutorial Council, Mr. Ardian Hajdaraj, and the Deputy Chief Prosecutor of the Special Prosecution, Mr. Valdet Gashi, are participating in the Regional Conference “Effectiveness of the Judiciary in Judging Organized Crime and Corruption in the Western Balkans”.

The purpose of the organization of this conference, as part of the OSCE regional project on monitoring the judicial processes in the fight against organized crime and corruption in the Western Balkans, is to discuss common issues of

prosecution and trial of organized crime and corruption.



During his speech, Acting Chief Prosecutor Kelmendi gave a presentation on the targeted cases – namely the prioritization and processing of high-profile corruption and organized crime cases, where he explained in more detail the functioning of the mechanism for targeting cases, the manner of their selection, the cooperation, the results and the successes of the joint team for these cases, as well as presented some concrete cases targeted by the Special Prosecution.



This conference, which is held in Budva, Montenegro, under the organization of the OSCE, in addition to representatives of the justice system from Kosovo, is also attended by representatives from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina,

Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia and the European Union.

Strengthening cooperation between the State Prosecutor and the Kosovo Police is discussed

Prishtina, 23 August 2024 – The Acting Chief State Prosecutor, Mr. Besim Kelmendi has held a regular collegium with all the chief prosecutors of the country's prosecution offices, representatives of the prosecution offices and prosecutors of the Office of the Chief State Prosecutor, which was also attended by representatives of the US Embassy in Kosovo.



At the invitation of Acting Chief Prosecutor Kelmendi, representatives of the Kosovo Police, namely the Deputy Director of Police, Mr. Fehmi Hoti and the Director of the Crime Investigation Division, Mr. Fatos Makolli.

During this meeting it was discussed about coordination and cooperation in undertaking joint actions between the State Prosecutor and the Kosovo Police.

The participants positively assessed the current level of institutional cooperation and interaction, and emphasized that this cooperation should be further advanced, in order to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the investigation of criminal offenses.



At the end of the meeting, the participants agreed to have regular meetings between the heads of the two institutions, the State Prosecutor and the Kosovo Police.