

# BASIC PROSECUTION OFFICE GJAKOVA

# BULLETIN

# <u>April – June 2024</u>



Through this bulletin, the main activities carried out at the Basic Prosecution in Gjakova, for the period of April-June 2024 are presented.

# Chief Prosecutor Enis Gashi and Prosecutor Kastriot Memaj hosted Mr. Vesa Satamo, from the Unit for Monitoring Environmental Crimes in EULEX.

**Gjakova, april 3, 2024** - Chief Prosecutor of the Basic Prosecution in Gjakova, Mr. Enis Gashi, together with the coordinating prosecutor for criminal offenses against the environment Mr. Kastriot Memaj, hosted Mr. Vesa Satamo, from the Environmental Crimes Monitoring Unit in EULEX.

In this important meeting, they discussed the management and performance of the prosecution in relation to the handling of cases of criminal offenses against the environment, how they deal with concrete cases and the steps taken against the perpetrators of these criminal offences, including the challenges and achievements of the prosecution.

Mr. Gashi and Mr. Memaj informed Mr. Satamo, that criminal offenses against the environment are treated with priority and that indictments have been filed against the persons involved, as well as the items used to commit these criminal offenses have been seized.

In close coordination with the police, prosecutors have taken all necessary actions to ensure the implementation of the law and to guarantee that persons involved in criminal offenses against the environment face legal responsibility for their actions.

The meeting was an important occasion for the exchange of information and the coordination of actions for the protection of the environment and law enforcement, Mr. Satamo appreciated the commitment and efforts of the Basic Prosecution Office in Gjakova, in this regard, and expressed readiness to help in the fight against the perpetrators of these criminal offenses.



#### Motion for application of detention on remand against a defendant for the criminal offense of "Unauthorized purchase, possession, distribution and sale of narcotics, psychotropic substances and analogues"

**Gjakova, april 4, 2024** - The Basic Prosecution Office in Gjakova, Department for Serious Crimes, announces to the public that, against the defendant with the initials XH.B., has taken a Decision to start the investigation and submitted a motion to impose measure of detention on remand for a duration of 30 days.

According to the motion of the Prosecution, among other things, it is stated that there is a wellfounded suspicion that the defendant at his home, without authorization and for the purpose of sale or distribution, possessed substances or preparations which are declared by law as narcotics, psychotropic substances and analogues, during the search of the house, five plastic bags with suspected cocaine-type narcotic substance were found and seized, also three plastic bags with cocaine-type narcotic substance were found and seized in the backyard, a digital scale and four mobile phones, all seized and with these actions the suspicion is formed that the defendant has committed the criminal offense of unauthorized purchase, possession, distribution and sale of narcotics, psychotropic and analogous substances under Article 267 par.2 of the CCRK.

#### Indictment against a Person for the Criminal Offense of Murder

**Gjakova, april 19, 2024** – The Basic Prosecution in Gjakova, Serious Crimes Department, has filed an indictment against the defendant D.LL. for the criminal offense of Murder under Article 30, paragraph 2, point 3 of the LPK.

According to the indictment, it is stated that the defendant D.LL., on July 12, 2003, around 09:00, in the village of Raçë, Municipality of Gjakova, near the store "V...", with intent and motivated by blood feud revenge, deprived the life of N.N., a 47-year-old from the village of Raçë, Municipality of Gjakova. The defendant acted in revenge for his father's murder, who was deprived of life by the now-deceased N.N. twelve years earlier. On the critical day, the defendant went to the mentioned location in his red Golf 3 vehicle, tracking the movements of the now-deceased. When the latter entered the store "V..." to buy some groceries, the defendant D.LL. waited for him, and upon noticing him exiting the store, he fired 28 shots at him from close range, hitting various parts of his body. When the victim fell to the ground, the defendant shot again at the victim's head, causing multiple wounds to the head, chest, and limbs. As a result of these injuries, the victim died at the scene.

The defendant had been in hiding since the time of the criminal offense. He was arrested under an international arrest warrant and extradited from the United States to Kosovo.

Upon filing the indictment, the prosecutor proposed that the court find the defendant guilty and sentence him according to the law for the criminal offense charged against him.

### The Chief Prosecutor Mr. Enis Gashi, received in a meeting police officers from the Regional Police Directorate in Gjakova

**Gjakova, may 2 2024,** Chief Prosecutor Mr. Enis Gashi, together with the prosecutors of the Basic Prosecution Office in Gjakovë, hosted the heads of the investigations sector of the Regional Police Directorate in Gjakovë and the Police Stations of this directorate. The main topic of this important meeting was the coordination for the performance of the tasks and the various challenges that are presented in the joint work, the identification and addressing of the current challenges that affect the stability and public order in our region.

Those present agreed to increase the level of cooperation and effective coordination between law enforcement authorities to solve cases and prevent potential risks to public safety. Discussions and detailed analysis of the situation helped identify the most efficient strategies to address important public safety issues and achieve success in our mission.

This close cooperation between the Prosecution Office and the Police authorities continues to be essential for the protection of citizens, thus remaining committed to improving our efficiency and ensuring an environment as safe as possible.





# Visit of the Chair of the Kosovo Prosecutorial Council, Mr. Ardian Hajdaraj, to the Basic Prosecution in Gjakova

**Gjakova, may 3 2024** – The Chair of the Kosovo Prosecutorial Council, Mr. Ardian Hajdaraj, together with the member of the Prosecutorial Council, Mr. Armend Zenelaj, conducted a working visit to the Basic Prosecution in Gjakova.

During this visit, they were received by the Chief Prosecutor, Mr. Enis Gashi, and the Deputy Chief Prosecutor, Mr. Sadri Alija.

In the meeting, Chief Prosecutor Mr. Gashi and Deputy Chief Prosecutor Mr. Alija informed Chair Mr. Hajdaraj about the activities and achievements of their work in the first quarter of 2024, including the challenges and difficulties encountered during the investigation and prosecution of criminal offenses within their jurisdiction.

Chair Hajdaraj emphasized the importance of these visits to gain direct insight into current work processes and to discuss the needs for the effective implementation of the constitutional and legal mandates of the prosecution offices.



# Detention on Remand Requested for the Suspect for the Criminal Offense of Continuous Sexual Harassment

**Gjakova, may 10, 2024** – The Basic Prosecution in Gjakova, General Department, informs the public that an indictment has been issued against the defendant with the initials A.D., and a motion has been submitted to the Basic Court in Gjakova for the imposition of detention on remand for a period of 30 days.

According to the Prosecution's motion, it is stated, among other things, that there is a grounded suspicion that the defendant with the initials A.D., from December 2023 until May 8, 2024, in Gjakova, continuously sexually harassed a vulnerable person, the injured/minor, through unwanted verbal and non-verbal conduct of a sexual nature with the intent to violate the victim's dignity, in such a way that after the defendant and the injured/minor had met through social networks, he sent messages of a sexual nature, which actions violated the dignity of the injured party and created an environment for her that was objectively intimidating, degrading, and humiliating.

These actions establish a grounded suspicion that the defendant committed the criminal offense of continuous sexual harassment under Article 10 of Law No. 08/L-188 for the Amendment and Supplementation of the Criminal Code 06/L-074 of the Republic of Kosovo, in connection with Article 183, paragraph 4, in relation to paragraph 2, and in connection with Article 77 of the CCRK.

#### The Basic Prosecution Office in Gjakova seizes the items by which the Environment was Degraded and Destroyed

**Gjakova, may 17, 2024 -** The Basic Prosecution Office in Gjakova, informs the public that after an inspection carried out by the Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning in cooperation with the Kosovo Police, it has found that in some villages of the Municipality of Rahovec, the environment is being degraded due to the illegal activity of extracting gravel along the Drini i Bardhë riverbed.

The coordinating prosecutor for the investigation of Crimes against the Environment, Mr. Kastriot Memaj, has ordered the initiation of the case for the criminal offense "Pollution, degradation or destruction of the environment" under Article 338 of the CCRK.

Also, it was ordered to seize a transport truck and an excavator as items used in the commission of the criminal offense.

At the same time, in coordination with the police, active actions are being taken to arrest the perpetrators of this criminal offense.

The Prosecution Office informs the public opinion that it remains fully committed to combating such illegal phenomena that degrade the environment and calls on citizens for cooperation in combating these phenomena.





# The action of confiscating the items with which gravel was illegally extracted along the Drini i Bardhë river bed continues

**Gjakova, may 20, 2024** - The Basic Prosecution Office in Gjakova, informs the public that the action to seize the items used for the degradation and destruction of the environment is ongoing.

After an inspection carried out by the Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning, in cooperation with the Kosovo Police, it was found that in some villages of the Municipality of Rahovec, the environment is being degraded due to the illegal activity of extracting gravel along the Drini i Bardhë riverbed.

The coordinating prosecutor for the investigation of Crimes against the Environment has ordered the initiation of the case for the criminal offense "Pollution, degradation or destruction of the environment" from article 338 of the KPRK.

Also, it was ordered to seize one (1) transport truck, three (3) excavators and one (1) separation machine with all accompanying equipment used in the commission of the criminal offense.

The Prosecution office announces that the action to seize the means used in illegal activities will continue until the capture of all the means and responsible persons.

The Prosecution office informs the public that it remains fully committed to combating such illegal phenomena that degrade the environment and calls on citizens for cooperation in combating these phenomena.









#### Chief Prosecutor Enis Gashi held a meeting expressing gratitude for the contribution and work of Prosecutor Kastriot Memaj at the Basic Prosecution Office Gjakova

**Gjakova, may 31, 2024** - The Basic Prosecution Office of Gjakova has organized a farewell and appreciation meeting on the occasion of the promotion of prosecutor Kastriot Memaj from the Gjakovë Basic Prosecution Office to the Special Prosecution Office of the Republic of Kosovo.

On this occasion, the Chief Prosecutor on behalf of the Basic Prosecution Office Gjakova, awarded the Prosecutor a certificate of appreciation and thanked him for his work and commitment while exerting the position of the state Prosecutor in this Prosecution Office, wishing him health and success in continuing his professional career.





#### Indictment against Two Individuals for the Criminal Offenses of Attempted Aggravated Murder, Unauthorized Ownership, Control, or Possession of Weapons, and Aiding in the Commission of Attempted Aggravated Murder

**Gjakova, June 24, 2024** – The Basic Prosecution in Gjakova, Department for Serious Crimes, has filed an indictment against the defendant Sh.A. for the criminal offenses of "Attempted Aggravated Murder" under Article 173, paragraph 1, subparagraph 1.5 in conjunction with Article 28 of the CCRK, and for the criminal offense of "Unauthorized Ownership, Control, or Possession of Weapons" under Article 366, paragraph 1 of the CCRK, and against the defendant J.M. for the criminal offense of "Aiding in the Commission of Attempted Aggravated Murder" under Article 173, paragraph 1, subparagraph 1.5 in conjunction with Articles 28 and 33 of the CCRK.

According to point I of the enacting clause of the indictment, it is stated, among other things, that the defendant Sh.A., on March 10, 2024, at 00:13 in Gjakova, in the restaurant "R...", intentionally attempted to deprive of life the injured parties D.S., J.S., and F.Zh., all three from Gjakova.

Through these actions, the defendant committed the criminal offense of "Attempted Aggravated Murder" under Article 173, paragraph 1, subparagraph 1.5 in conjunction with Article 28 of the CCRK.

According to point II of the enacting clause of the indictment, it is stated, among other things, that the defendant Sh.A. was in unauthorized possession of a weapon, in violation of Article 4, paragraph 1, subparagraph 1.1 of the Law on Weapons of the Republic of Kosovo.

Through these actions, the defendant committed the criminal offense of "Unauthorized Ownership, Control, or Possession of Weapons" under Article 366, paragraph 1 of the CCRK.

According to point III of the enacting clause of the indictment, it is stated, among other things, that the defendant J.M. intentionally assisted the defendant Sh.A. by delivering the means for committing the criminal offense—the weapon which the defendant J.M. possessed legally.

Through these actions, the defendant committed the criminal offense of "Aiding in the Commission of Attempted Aggravated Murder" under Article 173, paragraph 1, subparagraph 1.5 in conjunction with Articles 28 and 33 of the CCRK.

The case prosecutor, upon filing the indictment, proposed to the court that the defendants be found guilty and be sentenced according to the law for the criminal offenses charged against them.