

**24 July 2019**

**Press release**

The Public Commissioner was present today at the Appeal Chamber, while continued the review of the appeal filed against the Decision no. 61/2018, of the Independent Qualification Commission, for the subject of re-evaluation Mr. Gentjan Osmani, prosecutor at the Prosecution Office of the First Instance Court for Serious Crimes, Tirana, and currently a member of High Prosecutorial Council.

During the hearing today, the Public Commissioner and the subject of re-valuation submitted their opinions related to the financial analysis conducted by the Appeal Chamber and presented their final conclusion at the end of the judicial investigation.

The Public Commissioner in the final conclusion pointed out that also from the evidence administrated during the judicial review, the subject of re-evaluation is found in conditions to failure to accurately and fully disclose the source of creation of the asset. The Public Commissioner requested to the Panel to modify the decision no.61/2018, of the Independent Qualification Commission and dismissal from office of the subject of re-evaluation, Mr. Gentjan Osmani.

The subject of re-evaluation, through his attorney embraced his opposing arguments of the appeal even in the final conclusions, by requesting to uphold the decision of the Independent Qualification Commission.

The Adjudication Panel withdrew to the counseling room and notified that the final decision shall be announced at the next hearing session on July 31, 2019, at 10:00. a.m.

Pursuant to point 1, Article 16 of the Regulation “On the Activity of the Institution of Public Commissioners”, the appeal and the final elements of the case are published on the official website of this institution: <http://ikp.al/ankime/>

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