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Press release

The Public Commissioner was present today at the Appeal Chamber, while continued the judicial review of the appeal filed against the Decision no. 63/2018, of the Independent Qualification Commission, for the subject of re-evaluation Mr. Arben Dollapaj, prosecutor, at the Prosecution Office in the Appeal Court, Shkodër, and member of the High Prosecutorial Council.

The Public Commissioner, in presenting the final conclusions, underlines the fact that his appeal is based on the facts and circumstances which were also notified to the re-evaluation institutions through the public participation in this process, and through denunciations, wherein the adjudication panel decided to conduct investigation in this regard. The Public Commissioner stood to the grounds and the final seeking appeal, stating that, the subject of re-evaluation failed to prove the contrary of the findings, during the judicial review. Under these circumstances, the Public Commissioner requested the amendment of decision no.63/2018, of the Independent Qualification Commission and dismissal from office of the re-evaluation subject Mr. Arben Dollapaj.

The subject of re-evaluation in his position, and through his legal representative claimed the opposite of what is reasoned from the appeal of the Public Commissioner, and within this framework, requested to the adjudication panel to specifically analyze the evidence regarding his residence property in Tropojë. The subject of re-evaluation requested the decision no. 63/2018, of the Independent Qualification Commission to be upheld, consequently his confirmation in office.

The Adjudication Panel, after being presented with the final conclusions from the parties, deliberated in order to take the decision, which shall be announced on March 12, 2020, 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 elements of the case are published on the official website of this institution: <http://ikp.al/>

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Public Commissioners represent the public interest during the transitional process of re-evaluation of judges and prosecutors in the Republic of Albania.