

## 18 November 2021

## **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. 332/2021, of the Independent Qualification Commission, of the assessee, Mrs. Lindita Male (Ziguri) former prosecutor of Tirana District Prosecution Office, at present holds the position of Magistrate Inspector at the Inspectors Unit in the High Inspector of Justice.

Following the verification of the parties' presence, the presiding judge communicated the arrival responses from the institutions and trading companies, listed at the request of the Appeal Chamber in view of the appeal grounds, as well as cases verified, mainly by the adjudication panel.

After the parties confirmed their acquaintance with the above documents, the presiding judge requested the stance of the Public Commissioner and the assessee to proceed with their administration.

The Public Commissioner stated that from a formal point of view there were no objections, while the assessee requested to deposit some new evidence.

Once the acts submitted to the hearing were provided to the Public Commissioner, the adjudication panel decided to administer them along with the documentation submitted by the institutions and trading companies, and consequently requested the parties' position on their provability.

The Public Commissioner presented his written opinion concerning the administrated acts, analyzing them in relation to the appeal grounds. Whilst as for one of the correspondences of the panel with the Prosecution Office of the First Instance Court Tirana, which was forwarded to him at the commencement of the court session, as well as for the evidence submitted during the hearing by the assessee, he stated his verbal opinion, reserving the right to be expressed also in the final conclusions due to the voluminous material to be examined accordingly.

Following the explanations of the assessee, regarding the questions addressed by the members of the adjudication panel, the latter, on the spot consultation, decided to close the judicial review and invited the parties to present the final conclusions on December 2, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.

Pursuant to paragraph 1, Article 16 of the regulation of the Institution of Public Commissioners, the appeal and elements of the case are published on the official website of this institution: <u>http://ikp.al/ankime</u>

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