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Press Release

On June 28, 2024, at the conclusion of the relevant hearing, the Independent Qualification Commission decided the confirmation in office of the assessee, Mr. Aurel Zarka, serving as a prosecutor at the Prosecution Office of the First Instance Court of General Jurisdiction of Vlora.¹

The decision no. 779/2024 of the Independent Qualification Commission was notified to the Public Commissioners on October 8, 2024.

On the same day, October 8, 2024, the International Monitoring Operation (IMO) submitted to the Public Commissioners the recommendation to appeal the decision to the Appeal Chamber.

The Public Commissioners are simultaneously reviewing the decision of the Independent Qualification Commission and the recommendation put forth by the International Monitoring Operation.

Based on point 1, of Article 63, of Law no. 84/2016, “On the Transitional Re-evaluation of Judges and Prosecutors in the Republic of Albania,” the Public Commissioners, within 15 days from the date of notification of the decision by the Independent Qualification Commission, have the right to file an appeal by the Appeal Chamber.

The recommendation of the International Monitoring Operation is published on the official website of the Institution of Public Commissioners: <https://ikp.al/en/recommendations/>

The Institution of Public Commissioners has been established and operates under Article 179/b and the Annex of the Constitution of the Republic of Albania and Law No. 84/2016, “On the Transitional Re-evaluation of Judges and Prosecutors in the Republic of Albania”.

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

¹ Suspended from office by decision no. 187, dated 31.07.2024, of the High Prosecutorial Council.