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### **Press Release**

Today, the Public Commissioner was present at the Appeal Chamber to initiate the judicial review of the appeal filed against the Decision no. 703/2023, of the Independent Qualification Commission, concerning the assessee, Mrs. Suela Salavaçi, serving as a prosecutor in the Prosecution Office of the First Instance Court of General Jurisdiction of Tirana.

During the verification of the parties at the hearing, the presiding judge informed them that their submissions and objections had been submitted to the Chamber and invited the parties to present their claims during the hearing as well.

The Public Commissioner, adhering to all the appeal grounds and taking into consideration the IMO's Recommendation, stated that the assessee does not meet a trustable level regarding the control of assets and proficiency assessment. In conclusion, the Public Commissioner requested the amendment of decision no. 703/2023, issued by the Independent Qualification Commission, and the dismissal from office of the assessee, Mrs. Suela Salavaçi.

The assessee objected over the findings in the appeal and objected the claims rose in several complaints. At the end of the proceedings, the assessee submitted additional documents to the Chamber and requested her reconfirmation in office.

Subsequently, the assessee responded the questions addressed by the international observer.

The adjudication panel, on- the- spot consultation decided to admit the documents filed in the hearing by the assessee and invited the parties to present the final conclusions at the following hearing scheduled on October 7, 2024, at 10:00.

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

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