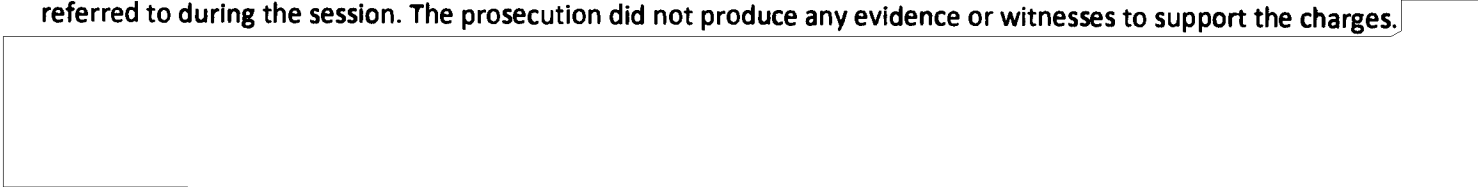


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Latest update, which leaves the door open for Salem -

The Swiss Embassy conveyed the following update, based on SPP's debriefing with the hiker's lawyer, Masoud Shafii. According to Shafii, the court session last from 10:30am to 2:00pm (3.5 hours). The trial has ended and he expects a verdict within the week. Shafii felt the trial process was okay, he could give his defense and Josh and Shane could speak and answer questions and had time to write out answers. Josh and Shane wrote 4-5 pages outlining their defense and Shafii submitted a 20-page defense paper. The trial was for all three hikers, including Sarah Shourd, who the prosecutor referred to during the session. The prosecution did not produce any evidence or witnesses to support the charges.



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