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The Permanent Mission of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Secretariat of the Committee on Enforced Disappearance, regarding the implementation of the UN General Assembly Resolution A/RES/70/160 entitled “International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance”, and has the honor to transmit the answers on the implementation of the UN General Assembly Resolution A/RES/70/160 in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The Permanent Mission of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Secretariat of the Committee on Enforced Disappearance, the assurance of its highest consideration.

Geneva, June 21st 2016

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BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Multilateral Relations Division
Attn. Almir Šahović, Assistant Minister

SUBJECT: OHCHR – UN General Assembly Resolution 70/160, an answer is being delivered

Ref. Letter No.: 07/4-2-05-4-14396/16 dated 29 April 2016

Dear,

The Ministry of Human Rights and Refugees of BiH has received your letter under the number and date above in which we were asked to deliver your answers on the implementation of UN General Assembly Resolution 70/160 entitled International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance.

In connection with the above, we are providing the following answers:

a) Steps taken to consider signing and ratifying or acceding to the Convention as a matter of priority (paragraph 2 of the resolution).

The Convention entered into force in Bosnia and Herzegovina on 29 April 2012.


In April 2016, Bosnia and Herzegovina has received the query regarding the Report which has been submitted in accordance with Article 29 para.1 of the Convention. Currently, we are conducting activities in order to submit the answers to the relevant Committee.

b) Steps taken to consider the option provided for in articles 31 and 32 of the Convention (paragraph 3 of the resolution);

In accordance with Articles 32 and 31 of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, Bosnia and Herzegovina recognized the competence of the Committee on Enforced Disappearance: The declaration was registered on 13 December 2012, i.e. the document is deposited under number (UNGA) C.N. 708.2012 of 14 December 2012 and C.N. 709.2012 of 14 December 2012.

c) Assistance requested and received by the Secretary General and UN High Commissioner for Human Rights to become State party to the Convention (paragraph 5 of the resolution);

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The Ministry of Human Rights and Refugees of BiH has no information about any assistance requested and received by the Secretary General and UN High Commissioner for Human Rights to become State party to the Convention.

d) Assistance received by the UN agencies and organizations, intergovernmental organizations, non-governmental organizations and the Working Group on Enforced Disappearances in the understanding and implementation of the obligations under the Convention (paragraph 6 of the resolution).

During the preparation of answers to the Committee's questionnaire, the International Committee of the Red Cross BiH has provided the support to the Ministry of Human Rights and Refugees of BiH which is responsible for it.

Sincerely yours,

MINISTER

Semija Borovac