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RTCG COUNCIL TO INITIATE A DISMISSAL PROCEDURE AGAINST ĆALIĆ AND MIRKOVIĆ

Centre for Civic Education (CCE) continues to monitor the process and substance of the appointment of RTCG Council members as a part of its endeavours to contribute to transformation of RTCG in a genuine public service.

Emphasising a set of irregularities, therein including a breach of the Law on radio broadcasting services of RTCG in case of appointment of Branislav Calic, former and present member of the RTCG Council and President of the Council, as well as Zarko Mirkovic, which makes the case even more serious.

CCE calls the independence of RTCG Council in question, whose President is regarded as trustworthy person by the Government of RCG and as such has been appointed as a member of the Board of Directors of one of the biggest state owned enterprises "Post of Montenegro", and the second member Mirkovic who has been appointed by the Government of RCG for acting director of public institution "Music Centre".

Law on RTCG namely prescribes that the members of RTCG Council cannot be "elected, appointed and nominated persons in the Government of the Republic of Montenegro (ministers, deputies, assistants, as well as high officials of separate organizational units under direct supervision of the Government and other officials)".

CCE calls the RTCG Council to initiate a dismissal procedure against Calic and Mirkovic in accordance with the Law, and to suspend the two members of RTCG Council until the Parliament of the Republic of Montenegro adopts a decision on their dismissal.

CCE reiterates the question to the President of the Parliament, Ranko Krivokapic which Law did he respect when he confirmed the appointment of Calic and Mirkovic.

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