

Podgorica, 23 December, 2007.

PRESIDENT OF THE PARLIAMENT SHOULD RESPECT CITIZENS AND THE CIVIL SOCIETY

Non-governmental organizations that have nominated members of the RTCG Council invite the President of the Parliament Ranko Krivokapic to explain clearly and say accurately which NGOs are "*hidden political parties*" and which NGOs he considers as "*real representatives of civil and non-governmental sector.*"

The process of appointing members of the RTCG Council ended 4 months ago. Why was the President of the Parliament Ranko Krivokapic silent for four months since when are known names of members of the Council and why he did not publicly present data on alleged party activism of 6 appointed members of the Council of RTCG?

We remind public that in the civil sector there was not a single comment concerning any of nominated member, and that is actually at the civil sector to decide on their own representatives in the Council of RTCG.

Therefore, President Ranko Krivokapic should explain which were the methods he came to that information and on who does he think exactly. Since we responsibly claim that appointed members of the Council are not "hidden political representatives", but acknowledged and recognized activists and members of civil society that only Mr Krivokapic does not see like that, the statement of Mr Krivokapic we consider as an attempt to manipulate in order to justify his involvement in violations of law in the Parliament headed by him.

We expect that Mr Krivokapic will publicly apologize to all the appointed members of the RTCG Council and that his actions will continue to be in line with the position which citizens of Montenegro confided to him. We expect also that Mr Krivokapic instead ignorant and abusive attitude towards civil society finally obtain to dialogue and respect the personality and integrity not only of the appointed members of the RTCG Council and civil society, but also the entire Montenegrin public.

1. Centre for development of the NGOs (CRNVO), Podgorica
2. SOS line for Women and Children Victims of Violence, Podgorica
3. Center for Monitoring (CEMI), Podgorica
4. Human Rights Action, Podgorica
5. Women's Forum of Montenegro, Podgorica
6. Children smile, Podgorica
7. Roma Scholarship Foundation (RSF), Podgorica
8. SOS - line for Women and Children Victims of Violence, Podgorica
9. Centre for Civic Education, Podgorica
10. JEF, Podgorica
11. Federation of the Blind of Montenegro, Podgorica

12. Association for Democratic Prosperity ZID, Podgorica
13. ANIMA - Zinec, Centre for Women and Peace Studies, Kotor
14. Gerontological Society of Montenegro, Podgorica
15. Green Home, Podgorica
16. Association of Parents of Children and Youth with Disabilities "Our initiative", Podgorica
17. Coalition Roma NGO-Roma Circle, Podgorica
18. SOS -line for Women and Children Victims of Violence, Niksic
19. Open School, Danilovgrad
20. NGO Parents for students, Kolasin
21. NGO Children's Horizons, Podgorica
22. European Movement in Montenegro (EMIM), Podgorica
23. Plagus M, Plav
24. PR Centre, Podgorica
25. Montenegrin cultural circle, Cetinje
26. Centre for Civil Initiatives, Berane
27. Bona fides, Bar
28. Youth Parliament of Montenegro, a national network of youth and student organizations
29. SOS phone for women and children victims of violence Pljevlja
30. Civic House, Club NGOs of Cetinje
31. Centre for high school students of Montenegro, Podgorica
32. Student cultural centre of Montenegro, Cetinje
33. Bono Modo Centre, Tuzi
34. House of Hope - Podgorica
35. Local Democracy Agency and Partnership Montenegro
36. Women's Action
37. Women's Initiative of Zeta
38. NGO "Woman of the new millennium"
39. SOS line for Women and Children Victims of Violence, Plav
40. Global response to drugs - Montenegro
41. SOS Hotline for Women and Children Victims of Violence Ulcinj
42. SOS line for Women and Children Victims of Violence, Bar
43. NGOs Hegggar, Danilovgrad
44. Post pessimistic of Montenegro, Kotor
45. SOS line for Women and Children Victims of Violence Bijelo Polje
46. Open centre "Bona Fide" Pljevlja
47. Civic Information and Education Centre Pljevlja
48. SOS line for Women and Children Victims of Violence, Rožaje
49. "Manus Feminae", Podgorica
50. Institute Alternative, Podgorica
51. Juventas, Podgorica