

OPEN CALL FOR MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND SCIENCE

We express regret because the conflict between the Ministry of the Education and Science and structures of the High school in Cetinje is not resolved until today.

Protest of the teachers, parents and students of the High school in Cetinje is *undoubtedly* event from which the others will learn and which will in the long term contribute that institutions work with more quality, in more professional manner and to behave more responsible.

It is of utmost importance that your associates and other persons engaged out of the system have in their work full commitment to rule of law. Only in that way they can help to your work and in keeping of your professional credibility according to which we were, unlike themselves, several times openly and with arguments commendly related. Always when you really deserved.

We encourage you to lastly ensure that in case of Cetinje and all further similar situations Ministry of Education and Science has principle based and clearly professional behaviour on which, without dilemma, can count all concerned public.

We estimate that principle based and objective access of Ministry of Education and Science on the most quality way can be assured through assertion of place and role of Educational Bureau, which are otherwise defined with our regulations. Educational Bureau, among other things, determines quality of teaching and schools organisation and conducts professional activities in monitoring of analysis and developing of educational system.

We are convinced that Ministry of Education and Science in realization human resource policy can't act contrary to the position of Educational Bureau whose assessment about certain school and its management has to be decisive since these are grounded on the functions which Bureau has as the supervisory mechanism and which are anyway not within the authority of Ministry.

We are assured that through principle baseed approach and taking into account all the findings and evaluations of the Educational Bureau without further delay can be normalised realisation of the educational work in public institution High school in Cetinje and also accomplished prevention of all similar events.

We encourage you to on appropriate way stand up for return of solution in Law on General Education which will enable participation of local community and students in school boards which is canceled in the term of office of your predecessor.

Finally, we are assured that through creating study about functioning of authorities in all pre-school and school institutions in Montenegro can be identified weaknesses and threats in work of those bodies and timely and transparently point on inactivism of individual structures. It will run primarily internal debate and accountability within each of these structures and allow the full extent of law to be applied. On the other hand, it contributes that entire pedagogical and educational system to be better and shaped in more professional manner, with advanced capacities, and liberated from unnecessary politicization and different influences.

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