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THE BEGINNING OF CHANGES AT THE LAW FACULTY?

Centre for Civic Education (CCE) welcomes the decision of professors and students of the Law Faculty of the University of Montenegro, which ended the process of election of the new Dean, despite numerous obstacles.

By electing the new Dean, professor **Drago Radulović**, Council members have shown that they want to stop the agony at this Faculty, which have lasted for a year, and which have completely disturbed interpersonal relations in this institution, as well as the reputation of the Law Faculty, because of actions of the Dean **Ranko Mujović**.

CCE considers Mujović's removal to be an initial step towards serious changes in behavior and practices at the Law Faculty. In this context, we express the hope that the new Dean will meet the goals stated in his address to the Council members during the presentation of his agenda for the period of his mandate, which will be carefully monitored by the CCE.

The abolition of 11 commissions which were used as a cover for the enrichment of Mujović's close friends, running a scientific research, personnel policy changes, changes in management policy at the faculty, and collegial relationship with all employees are priorities that must be given full dedication by the professor Radulović, as the Dean of one of the first higher education institutions in Montenegro, which is now in a very poor position.

Discouraging is the fact that the distinguished professors of the Law Faculty have come across locked halls and hidden stamps, wherewith the Dean Mujović tried to prevent the conduct of the election process. But encouraging is the fact that it belongs to one of the last activities conducted at the Law Faculty in the attempt to, at all costs, retain power.

Mujović's behavior is only a small part of overall poor state at the University of Montenegro, and the struggle of a number of professors from the Law Faculty is only effective if it spills over to other employees of the University of Montenegro, who remain silent due to fear of "retaliation" in the system of party decision-making.

For such unimaginable things going on at the Law Faculty, implemented by Mujović, are responsible the heads of the University of Montenegro, **Predrag Miranović**, the Rector and **Zoran Rasović**, the President of the Board, whose passive behavior led to Mujović's unaccountability for everything done so far.



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We stress that the mandate of the Dean Mujović lasts until August 2011, and again invite the heads of the University of Montenegro to remove Mujović, **because it would be a great defeat to the Law Faculty and the University of Montenegro as a whole for such a man to complete his term of office, in spite of everything he had done.**

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