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WITHDRAWAL FROM THE POSITION DOES NOT ABOLISH FROM RESPONSIBILITY

Centre for Civic Education (CCE) calls all authorities in charge to examine the role and responsibility of Milan Radovic related to his work in the capacity of Secretary General of the Parliament of Montenegro, which he performed until recently.

CCE reminds that Radovic was continuously and from multiple addresses accused for abuse of office. Also, his role in the destruction of the archives on deportation of citizens from Bosnia and Herzegovina is very important, since it negatively influenced court proceedings of victims of deportation and certainly did not contribute to the increase of confidence of the victims into Montenegrin system.

It is in the interest of the public, as well as of Radović, that the mentioned accusations are effectively investigated, as that eventual responsibility is identified and his sudden resignation should not abolish him from that.

Institutions and people who implement the law are equally important as the good law. Montenegro is often, rightfully, criticized for the weakness of institutions. **Thus, it would be significant if this example would serve to show that institutions are functioning and that there is none above the law, or that sooner or later, everyone must answer for his/her actions if there were elements of a criminal act.**

For quite long time we have a phenomenon of "biography washing" in Montenegro. In order to avoid the situation in which Radović appears at certain other function from which he could promote European values the authorities must release him of allegations which were publicly set out, or condemn him, if these are proven.

It is important to determine the responsibility of all individuals who were in different capacities effectively preventing facing with the past, since the sustainability of regional cooperation and quality of the process of European integration is depending of that.

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