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Montenegro
CHIEF STATE PROSECUTOR
Ranka Čarapić

Dear Mrs. ČARAPIĆ,

First of all, we welcome your readiness to openly talk about the domain and the effects of work of the state prosecutors of Montenegro and the readiness to include the international factor in this constructive debate.

Montenegrin reality by the number, diversity and depth of issues that arise on a daily basis, provides a significant foundation for the Chief state prosecutor, in accordance with the law, to undertake series of official actions and measures. Still, this acting for certain number of raised very important issues, unfortunately, is absent.

Therefore, a part of the intellectual public reacted being surprised by checking of the allegations from author's article of Dr Milan M. Popović and total ignorance of number of other issues. It is particularly worrying the way in which the professor was asked to provide his direct statement that seriously undermines the autonomy of the University and the freedom of expression of citizens of Montenegro.

We are insuring you that there is no negative campaign against the Chief state prosecutor's office but contrary a campaign so you can do your job, above all, consistently, professionally and in fair manner by the lawful exercise of authority.

In order to support you in taking the doubt of the public in the professionalism of your work we request the following information to be made public:

1. How many people in the State Prosecutors's office is employed to monitor electronic and print media?
2. Which print and electronic media are being monitored and what funds are allocated from the budget for the Prosecutors office for these jobs?
3. How many citizens, on the basis of their statements made in the media, have been invited to give statements in the Prosecutor's office in 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009?
4. Have you read the book "Terms of silence" by Momir Bulatovic and have if you or one of your predecessors called Momir Bulatovic in that context to come to the Prosecutor's Office?
5. Have you read the book "McMafija" by Misha Glenny and do you plan to call Mr Glenny to the Prosecutors office to give a statement?
6. Have you called the colleagues from the Italian judiciary searching for information about the case in which the current Montenegrin Prime Minister has been linked?
7. What actions has the Prosecutors office taken in the case of illegal monitoring, tapping and threats sent to the researcher of human rights violation Aleksandar Sasa Zekovic?

8. Was, in the case of Aleksandar Sasa Zekovic, based on the writing of the media and relevant international reports, anyone from the Prosecutors office referred to the police chiefs and officials who were identified in our public as possible perpetrators of inspirators?
9. What action the Prosecutors office has taken in the case of *Avala* and *Zavala*?
10. Whether the Prosecutor's Office dealt with allegations of corruption and abuse of official positions in schools and related educational inspection services?
11. Whether the Prosecutor's office examined the case one year old A.B. from Nikšić due to reasonable doubt that several crimes were committed in this case, especially murder, deprivation of life due to negligence, exposure to danger which lead to death of an abandoned person or leaving a weak person or persons due which death occurred and why has not been possible to reach any information about this case and even though a more dedicated urging?
12. What actions is the Prosecutor's office taking on checking the public allegations about the existence of political pressures on the employees in the Montenegrin education institutions?

Please note that questions related to specific cases are based on media reporting.

We most welcome your desire to express full responsibility to the Montenegrin public. In this context we believe that you will provide timely and as requested answers to these questions and thus confirm that what happened to professor Popovic is not a pressure and a threat to the intellectual public, but a manifestation of professional will to make a final confrontation with the corruption and organized crime. In this context, we welcome in advance all your future activities.

We are also convinced that also the international community will show great interest to obtain answers to these questions.

Respectfully,

Stevo Muk, President of the Managing Board of the Institute Alternative

mr Aleksandar Sasa Zeković, researcher of human rights violation

Daliborka Uljarević, executive director of the Centre for Civic Education