

## **CNAB's letter to European police congress**

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Dear Organizers of the "11th European Police Congress",

Dr. Trifunovic proved himself as determined, persistent enemy of the state of Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH), falsifier of the history, and denier of the aggression against the internationally recognized state of BiH and subsequent crimes of genocide toward the Bosniaks.

I am writing to you regarding the forthcoming "11th European Police Congress" (EPC), the largest specialized conference for internal security in the European Union, which has been re-scheduled for the end of January 2008. This year, dignitaries who will join the experts from national and regional police, security, and civilian authorities are: Franco Frattini, European Commission, Vice President, Commissioner for Justice, Freedom and Security; Dr. Karl von Wogau, MEP, European Parliament, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Security and Defence; the Ministers of the Interior and Justice of several European states, members of European and national Parliaments, and others.

One of the speakers scheduled for the Panel Session “European Counterterrorism Strategies - Detection, Financing, Prosecution” is Dr. Darko Trifunovic from Belgrade.

The Congress of North American Bosniaks (CNAB), representing the interests of 350,000 Bosniaks who live in the United States and Canada, is sternly protesting to the organizers of the 11th Congress, requesting that Dr. Darko Trifunovic is excluded from the forthcoming Congress.

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Dr. Trifunovic is the author of the scandalous "Report About Case Srebrenica Case (the first part)" (The Center for Documentation of the Government of Republic of Srpska, Banja Luka, Republic of Srpska, BiH, 2002), which he conveniently omitted from his Congress' biography.

On the page 34. of that report, Trifunovic concludes his 'analysis' of the number of Bosniaks men and boys who disappeared during the events surrounding the Bosnian Serb take-over of the United Nations 'safe area' of Srebrenica with the 'finding' that Armed Forces of the Republic of Srpska (VRS) might executed less than 100 of "Muslim soldiers". Moreover, Trifunovic 'justified' even this "VRS-executed-less-than-100- Muslim-Soldiers" crime with: "As a consequence, the remaining figure in the missing list would be the number of Muslims soldiers who were executed by Bosnian Serb forces for personal revenge or for simple ignorance of the international law. It would probably stand less than 100."  
( <http://www.slobodan-milosevic.org> )

Lord Jeremy "Paddy" Ashdown, the then High Representative to Bosnia and Herzegovina, was furious and ordered the commission, Trifunovic and his 'work' to "go away and RS to try again".

It is mind-boggling that such an 'expert' in, and proponent of, the genocide denial and the psychological warfare of hate mongering could have been invited to speak to European policemen, interior and justice ministers, members of parliaments about the "European Counterterrorism Strategies". He who himself is an 'expert' defender of Serbian terrorism of violating all applicable international conventions (on war conduct, against war crimes and crimes against humanity, on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide) when it, by the cruellest means, killed more than 200.000 innocent civilians, organised mass rape of more than 30.000 women and girls, tortured more than 50.000 peoples in concentration camps of death, "ethnically cleansed" more than 1 million of people, destroyed many cultural, spiritual, and civilization treasures.

He is part of the notorious Belgrade state-security apparatus and locales, admitted even by the Serbian Government members to be behind Serbian active violation of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (Mladic in Belgrade etc.). With other readily available details about his other extremist activities and involvements, one has to ask: what is the real agenda here?

Being such hate monger and denier of aggression and genocide, culturocide, ecocide, ethnocide, urbicide and elitocide, his place is with those who deny Holocaust and other war crimes - behind the bars, and not on the same podium with European Commission Vice President and Commissioner for Justice, Freedom and Security, Franco Frattini. It would be a mockery.

On behalf of 350,000 North American Bosniaks, majority of whom are victims of aggression, "ethnic cleansing", genocide, the CNAB is requesting the European Police to undertake all measures at its disposal to prevent the 'ekspert' Trifunovic from attending the Congress again.

A prompt reply would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,  
Emir Ramic  
President of the Congress of North American Bosniaks

### **Darko Trifunovic threatens Emir Ramic, President of CNAB, with a lawsuit**

Following the publication of a letter by Congress of North American Bosniaks to the organizers of 11th Congress of European Police, requesting that Darko Trifunovic, a certain expert in terrorism, be barred from this important gathering of police, ministers of justice and internal affairs, as well as European parliamentarians, who will talk about European strategy for combating terrorism. That Darko Trifunovic, himself an “expert” defender of Serbian fascism and terrorism, and the biggest Serbian and Montenegrin crimes and criminals ever since the Second World War. We emphasize that this “expert” is known for negating genocide against Bosniaks in BiH and especially against the Bosniaks of Srebrenica, which is well documented on the Internet. So, following the publication of the CNAB letter to the Editorial Board of the web magazine Bosnjaci.net, Darko Trifunovic, a beardless chetnik has contacted Emir Ramic, President of CNAB, employing the chetnik hysteria, and threatened to give direction to his lawyers in the United States and in BiH to start a lawsuit against Ramic if he fails to apologize on Bosnjaci.net.

Trifunovic, a Serbian “expert” on terrorism, writes the following:

*Esteemed Mr. Ramic,*

*in your statement you have used a number of insulting words which do not belong into civilized forms of communications. As well, you have sent your insulting statement to a number of addresses and in so doing have caused me great damages. Unless, within 24 hours, you do not remove same from this web page and replace it with an apology, I will be forced to instruct my lawyers in the States and in BiH to start a lawsuit against you, states Darko Trifunovic in his little pamphlet.*

How facetious, demanding an apology of the survivors of genocide in BiH who speak the truth. Congress of Bosniaks rightly emphasizes in their letter that Trifunovic is a proven enemy of Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as a falsifier of history who negated the aggression against internationally recognized Bosnia and Herzegovina and the crime of genocide against Bosniaks. CNAB rightly surmises that “it is shameful and should not be allowed to have such ‘expert’ speak about the European strategy to fight terrorism when he himself is an ‘expert’ defender of the Serbian terrorism and of their biggest crimes and criminals ...”

It has to be openly stated that this “expert”, Dr. Darko Trifunovic, belongs to the Serbicide people who in their genes carry fascism and terrorism. The eleven genocides against Bosniaks

are a proof of that and is described in Ramic's letter that "Trifunovic is a defender of the Serbian terrorism, which with most brutal means broke all the rules of international humanitarian law by way of murder of over 200,000 innocent civilians, rape of over 30,000 women, torture of over 50,000 people in concentration death camps, displaced over one Million people and destroyed many cultural, spiritual and civilization's treasures. As a denier of aggression, genocide, ecocide urbicide, elitocide...

CNAB rightly states that Trifunovic belongs with those who deny Holocaust and genocide and other war crimes - behind bars, and not on the stage with Vice-president of the European Commission and a Commissary for Justice, Freedom and Security, Franco Frattini.

Evidence from recent history of the Balkans, where the Serbian and Montenegrin fascists, led by the complete Belgrade-Podgorica political and military leadership, committed aggression and genocide in BiH, Croatia and, later, in Kosovo, in other words, against Bosniaks, Croats and Albanians.

Mr. "expert", clean up the garbage of terrorism in your backyard before going to Europe.

### **An Open letter by Global Intellectuals to the European Police (EUPOL) Congress**

This is to advise you that the undersigned give their complete support to Congress of North American Bosniaks (CNAB), the umbrella organization of the North American Bosniaks, which acts, in the American Melting Pot and the Canadian Cultural Mosaic, to create, represent, protect and strengthen the interests of Bosnia and Herzegovina as a united, democratic state and as a free and open civil society in the family of European states. We support the interests of Bosniaks ( preservation of Bosniak history, tradition, culture, spirituality and language) of over 350,000 American and Canadian Bosniaks who, for the most part, are the victims of aggression on Bosnia and Herzegovina and the crime of genocide against Bosniaks and in that context we demand that Dr. Darko Trifunovic be barred from attending and/or participating in the 11th Congress of European Police which is to be held on January 29 and 30, 2008 in Berlin, due to his continuing denials of crimes against humanity and genocide perpetrated against Bosniaks in Bosnia and Herzegovina in general, and in Srebrenica in particular. The International Court of Justice in The Hague has established that crime of genocide was committed in Srebrenica. Denial of that not only serves to insult the victims, but ought to constitute the basis for your decision that those who do not respect Rulings by the International Court of Justice in The Hague must not be given the right to participate in the Summit of European Police dealing with terrorism and crimes against humanity.

With this, and earlier statemets, CNAB advises the organizers, as well as general public and media, of facts which ought to disqualify Dr. Darko Trifunovic from such gathering. His public statements run contrary to the efforts and goals of the European Police.

Denial of genocide, by Dr. Darko Trifunovic, might be considered a criminal activity within the

framework of the new proposals now being debated in the European Union.

## **Signatories**

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**Semso Tankovic, PhD.**, Professor, President of SDA Party of Croatia and Member of Parliament of Croatia

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**Amor Masovic**, Member of Parliament of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Member of International Association of Genocide Researchers

**Nedžad Latic**, President of Foundation for Protection of Human Rights of Bosniaks and President of Bosnian National Party

**Mirnes Ajanovic**, President of Bosnian Party

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**Muhamed Jusic**, Theologian and reporter

**Bakira Hasecic**, President of the Association Woman-Victim of War

**Fatmir Alispahic**, Author and reporter

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**Ahmet Alibasic**, Director of Centre for Advanced Studies, Sarajevo

**Sinan Alic**, President of Foundation Truth, Justice, Peace

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**Fadila Memisevic**, President of Association for Peoples at Risk for Bosnia and Herzegovina

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### **Sue Trifunovic for denying genocide**

Following the horrors you have gone through during the war, and the painful search for, and burying, of your dearest ones, immoral voices are on the rise, of those who minimize the evil. One of them is a certain Darko Trifunovic, who, in the Report of the Centre for Documentation of the government of genocidal creation, the so-called “republika srpska”, stated that the Milosevic’s and Karadzic’s clique is responsible for “less than one hundred” of Bosniaks criminally murdered in the region of Srebrenica, while others, according to him, were a “collateral damage” of war. That Report was published in 2002 and in, and of itself, is a criminal deed of hiding and denying crime, in this case a genocide, so we believe that there exists a basis to commence criminal proceedings against the said person before a Court of Law in Bosnia and Herzegovina, and if such Court is deemed to have no authority, then before international, European Courts. The said “expert” has recently announced a lawsuit against CNAB because of their letter to the Congress of European Police Associations, in which letter they documented the human, ideological and professional (in)competencies of Darko Trifunovic who has been announced as one of participants in the 11th Congress of the European Police Associations. His facetious demand that it was a limited crime perpetrated upon less than one hundred people, during the siege of Srebrenica, has to see its day in court for inflicting further suffering to the emotional well being of the families of the victims, or yourselves, and if that is found to be accurate in the court proceedings then the said has the right to sue CNAB, “due to his suffering of emotional well being”, however, according to the automatism, the same right ought to be extended to the followers of persona and deeds of one Slobodan Milosevic, or Radovan Karadzic or Ratko Mladic, to seek from European and world institutions and cities to give names to streets after those idols, and also seek rehabilitation for the persona and deeds of one Adolf Hitler by way of reviving his creations, such as Milosevic’s so-called rs. We believe, however, that the humanity will not sink as low as that and also that the dark episode of illegal recognition of the so-called rs, and in so doing, legalization of genocide, or sponsorship of terrorism on behalf of the UN and the super-powers is but shameful, hurtful and bloody stain which will, hopefully, soon be removed from the map of Europe and the world, so therefore your struggle for the preservation of the dignity of a victim, your dearest ones, will, as necessary, through court proceedings, such as the one against Trifunovic, be an important step to a more just world - it is communicated in the statement of the Bosniaks Stichting Most, signed by Edit Agovic.

## **A letter by Association Woman-Victim of War to Congress of European Police**

Association Woman-Victim of War fully supports the position by Congress of North American Bosniaks that the self-styled expert in terrorism, Dr. Darko Trifunovic, be barred from participating at the meeting of Congress of European Police. He who denies genocide against Bosniaks in Srebrenica, he who denies the most horrendous crime against humanity perpetrated after the Second World War in Europe, he who denies violations of international humanitarian law, he who denies aggression against the internationally recognized country of Bosnia and Herzegovina really can not speak about terrorism nor can he take part in the workings of Congress of European Police. Esteemed ladies and gentlemen, organizers of the Congress, the very presence of Dr. Trifunovic at your Congress will diminish the values and earnestness of your efforts in fight against terrorism and crime and in doing so you stand to lose the trust of the surviving victims of genocide in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Dr. Trifunovic's acts of denying genocide are tantamount to extending protection to Radovan Karadzic and Ratko Mladic, most wanted persons of our times in Europe, who have been wanted by the International Criminal Tribunal for former Yugoslavia in The Hague, the Netherlands, for more than twelve years now.

We, women victims of the Serbo-Montenegrin aggression on Bosnia and Herzegovina have intimately experienced crimes against humanity, and still feel, today, the traumas of the wilding of Serbian fascist upon a woman. We, women victims of war, demand of proper authorities in Bosnia and Herzegovina to act so as to bar the self-styled expert in Euro-terrorism, Dr. Trifunovic, from entering Bosnia and Herzegovina for reasons of denying genocide in Srebrenica, which crime has legally been established by the International Court of Justice in The Hague, The Netherlands. We believe that he who denies genocide is unfit to attend Congress of European Police and that rather, his place is behind bars.

Based upon the above stated reasons, and extending our full support to Congress of North American Bosniaks, Association Woman-Victim of War raises its voice against all those who, by way of denial of genocide against Bosniaks and denial of aggression against Bosnia and Herzegovina, de facto perpetuate that genocide and aggression. In that context, he who denies genocide is equal to those who have ordered it and perpetrated it. We will not allow that to happen, because of us, victims of genocidal aggression upon Bosnia and Herzegovina, because of our children and because of the principles of truth and justice, the highest achievements of mankind and civilization. In the end, we give our full support to the web magazine Bosnjaci.net who work to protect the truth and facts about genocide so that Trifunovic and the like are not allowed to twist the facts of history - it is stated in the letter signed by **Bakira Hasecic**, President of Association Woman-Victim of War, based in Sarajevo.

## **Amor Masovic's open letter to the participants of the Congress of European Police**

Congress of North American Bosniaks is flooded with letters sent by prominent individuals and organizations from the moment of its demand sent to the organizers of the Congress of

European Police in order to bar a certain Darko Trifunovic from participating in the session of the Congress as he shows contempt for the victims of genocide against Bosniaks, while saluting the Serbian crimes and criminals.

Mr. Amor Masovic, as one of the most exemplary and prominent among public figures in Bosnia and Herzegovina, has sent a letter / statement to the participants of the Congress of European Police and, in so doing, supported the demand of CNAB that a certain Trifunovic “ not be given an opportunity to take stand at the session of the Congress of an organization of enormous repute such as European Police is, so that he could continue to show contempt for the victims and salute the criminals”, says Amor Masovic in his letter.

Ladies and gentlemen,

in my capacity as a Member of Parliament of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and as a former Member of Parliament of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and as a member of the International Association of Genocide Investigators (IAGS), I express my deep concern with the fact that a certain Darko Trifunovic is allowed to participate in the work of the Congress of European Police.

The public at large throughout Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as I, have followed the public statements issued by Mr. Trifunovic, over an extended period of time and it has become recognizable that he is a person who continually tries to deny, minimize, twist and/or otherwise cloud the picture of the biggest crime committed upon European soil after the Holocaust, the crime of genocide committed by the “Serbian Army and Police” in July of 1995 in Srebrenica.

As a principled democrat I support the freedom of public speech and public discourse, however the organizers of the Congress ought to clearly define, when they choose the participants, whether it is appropriate to allow an opportunity to speak publicly to the persons who deny the facts embodied in the rulings of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) and Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY).

I equally support your determination not to allow participation in the Congress to those who deny or minimize the crime of Holocaust (as same are sanctioned by the very laws of the country hosting the Congress), and am of the opinion that the same measure ought to apply to those who negate a similar crime, such as the crime of genocide in Srebrenica. Otherwise, we can all expect that the ghosts of the past will come back to haunt us.

Denial of Holocaust upon the Jews and/or genocide upon Bosniaks does not necessarily have to represent the final phase (E. Stanton), but I am afraid that such hate speech, lack of compassion towards the victims, saluting of the crimes and criminals, indeed, is the precursor of the first phase of new crimes of Holocaust and genocide.

Having stated this, I support the demand of Congress of North American Bosniaks (CNAB) which speaks in the interests of 350,000 American and Canadian Bosniaks so that Mr. Trifunovic not

be given an opportunity to take stand at the session of the Congress of an organization of enormous repute such as European Police is, so that he could continue to show contempt for the victims and salute the criminals.

The public at large across Bosnia and Herzegovina has, with exceptional attention, followed the activities of European Police whose members gave an enormous contribution in dealing with the results of the crimes perpetrated on our homeland's soil and it would be an immeasurable loss if, due to lack of attention on the part of the organizer, that same public were to be made to revise its attitude because of a person such as Mr. Trifunovic - it is stated in the letter by **Amor Masovic**.

### **Simple letter to European Police Congress, Organizers**

Please forward your letters of concern and seek clarification. Feel free to use the below draft and forward such to the organizers and below listed participants for the European Police Congress.

Dear Sir:

You are undoubtedly aware that the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, (ICTY) and International Court of Justice, ICJ, have judged that genocide was committed in Srebrenica, in the minimum, and grave violations of international humanitarian law in Bosnia & Herzegovina. It would be inconsistent with the European Congress of Police objectives to give a platform to one who denies such crimes or is an apologist for those who orchestrated and committed them.

Genocide denial is also a crime in most democratic states, especially those of the Euro-Atlantic family. We fully agree with this policy as it relates to the Holocaust. It deters not only misinformation but future hate crimes and potential genocides. We strongly believe that all genocides so adjudicated by the ICTY, ICJ or similarly empowered international tribunals, are or should be subject to similar protection from denial or distortion.

By his own writings, Mr. Darko Trifunovic has evidenced himself as a genocide denier inconsistent with European legal standards and the ICTY and ICJ rulings.

Mr. Darko Trifunovic is also engaged in hate promotion directed at the Bosniak ethnic group as well as those who may be identified as Muslims by birth or faith. His Islamophobia is inciting hate and misinformation, but here with the particular dangerous motive of justifying old crimes/genocides and potentially promoting new ones by ultranationalists in Bosnia & Herzegovina from within Serbian extremist ranks and others.

"Identity fraud" or, more specifically, procuring Bosnian & Herzegovinian documents is also on Mr. Trifunovic's resume. He had procured Bosnian/Herzegovinian travel documents and traveled through many European states with such until his fraud was uncovered and the BiH

authorities took away his passport.

As a citizen, (victim of ethnic cleansing), of Bosnia & Herzegovina we urge that you deny a platform to Darko Trifunovic and take concrete measures to sanction genocide deniers and those promoting hate. We also ask your offices to evaluate whether Darko Trifunovic has violated any national/European laws with his deeds and words.

With Respect,

**HE, Mr. Franco Frattini,  
Vice President,**

**European Commission**

Dear Sir:

As featured and key participant in the European Police Congress in Berlin at the end of this month, we request that you, colleagues and organizers take into consideration the involvement of some, in particular Darko Trifunovic, which brings into question the very purpose of the Conference and the participation of your office. We ask that your office takes appropriate measures to prevent the European Congress from becoming a forum for incitement of hate, denial of genocide and especially by one who has had his Bosnian travel documents and status stripped for reasons of falsifying official travel and other documents, (as we all know a threat to our common security from terrorists and criminals).

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### **Ambassador Muhamed Sacirbey**

The issue is not so much Trifunovic. Rather it is whether the lies and hate that he promotes are condemned and excluded for now and the future. He is, as stated previously, the tip of the iceberg. Darko Trifunovic has disappeared from the list of speakers at the 11th European Police Congress,(EPC). He has claimed that he withdrew because of threats directed against his person. Trifunovic's claim is now on the website of the 11th EPC Program. This puts into doubt whether the "Organizers" are prepared to ban Trifunovic and his hateful words and revisionist agenda, or will they effectively endorse it by buying into his hollow claim that he is at risk from "Islamic extremists," presumably like **Bosnjaci.net**. (We are offended by any direct or implied legitimization of Trifunovic's hollow accusations that **Bosnjaci.net** and those who have provided evidence and support for this campaign would be accused of resorting or inciting any violent act. We are adequately equipped with the principled foundation of our position and legality). Some of the "Organizers" apparently have claimed that they had not received our letters of protest regarding Trifunovic's presence. Apparently some indicated that they were satisfied with his previous year's presentation, at the 10 th European Police Congress.

That is not satisfactory. The European Police Congress has a clear obligation to denounce the lies, revisionism and hate promoted by Trifunovic. They already gave him a platform and legitimacy for the previous year. Furthermore, it is the very stated goal of organizations such as the European Police Congress, particularly in Berlin, to confront instigation to hatred and revisionism and lies that rationalize previous crimes, including genocide in Srebrenica and grave violations of international humanitarian law in BiH. It must be acknowledged that having Trifunovic present before the highest law enforcement and judicial officers is no different than having a Holocaust denier be given their platform or for a child porn film to be projected for the entertainment of the Congress.

We must write and seek clarification. Trifunovic has no choice to withdraw but has to be

excluded from this and future such events. It cannot be allowed that either he reappears or the promotion of his agenda of hate, lies, revisionism and rationalization of past crimes. The European Police Congress must be clear, as it is part of its professional responsibility and accountability. Otherwise, the Congress will be seen as having a selective agenda as well as memory.

**Dr. Darko Trifunovic – Serb Nationalist, Supporter of Greater Serbia and Genocide Denier prohibited from participation in the European Police Congress**

Society for Threatened Peoples International (GfbV)  
The second-largest human rights organization in Europe

To all participants of the International Police Congress; the EU Justice ministers and Ministers of Foreign Affairs; EU-, US and Serbian institutions in Serbia and the Republic of Srpska; the Bosnian government and Bosnian institutions

Dear Sir/Madam,

Our human rights organisation wishes to draw your attention to the dubious activities of Dr Darko Trifunovic, of the Faculty of Security Studies of the University of Belgrade.

Dr Trifunovic is a self-proclaimed “expert on Islamist terrorism” in the Balkans. Among other things he claims that Islamist terrorism has deep roots in Bosnia and Herzegovina, a country now largely at peace with itself once again but which he maintains is the base of what he refers to as the “White Al-Qaeda”. These claims have been dismissed as frivolous and unsubstantiated not just by Bosnia’s state-level special police agency, the State Information Protection Agency (SIPA), but also by EUFOR (the European Union Forces in Bosnia and Herzegovina) and EUPM (the EU Police Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina). Not surprisingly Trifunovic was recently obliged to withdraw from the 11th European Police Congress in Berlin (29-30 January 2008) which he had been invited to address.

Dr Trifunovic has been guilty of misleading the public on a number of occasions. In a report published in 2002 he accused the wives and mothers of Srebrenica of filing falsified reports about missing relatives and alleged that “less than 100 Muslim soldiers” had been executed at Srebrenica. These observations flew in the face of the finding by the International War Crimes Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY), subsequently confirmed by the International Court of Justice (ICJ), that the killing of over 8,000 Bosniak men and boys by Serb firing squads at Srebrenica in 1995 constituted an act of genocide. To date 2907 victims have been interred in the cemetery at Potocari and more bodies continue to be found.

Since the start of the Yugoslav wars our international human rights organisation has been campaigning on behalf of the victims of expulsion, genocide and other war crimes. We continue to work closely with the Mothers of Srebrenica and other victims’ organisations. We speak for

them as well in expressing our outrage at the way international bodies refer to Dr Trifunovic, a man who publicly denies that genocide was perpetrated in Bosnia and undermines efforts to bring about reconciliation and achieve closure for the crimes committed there, as a “security expert”.

Our protest is supported by Lord Paddy Ashdown, former High Representative of the international Community in Bosnia and Herzegovina, who has remarked to us “I am appalled that Trifunovic is still able to do so much damage”.

Accordingly we urge you to end all contact and co-operation with Dr Trifunovic with immediate effect.

Yours sincerely

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Desk Officer for South-Eastern Europe