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**A Statement by Institute for Research of Genocide, Canada {IGC}**

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In memory of the twentieth anniversary of the genocidal aggression on the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the seventeenth anniversary of the Srebrenica genocide, which engraved deep wounds in the collective human conscience in consequence of the huge massacre, destruction, and displacement against Bosniaks by the Serbian Army, IGC clearly confirm that:

**I}** Many relevant scientific research sources of different provenances from around the world confidently point to two facts:

- The Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina was attacked by classical military aggression, which was an attack and threat against peace and security of mankind, which is the basic understanding and definition of international armed conflict on the occupied territories of the independent and universally recognized Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, members of the United Nations,

- In cities in the siege, against Bosniaks was performed worst crime – crime of genocide.

**II}** This war against Bosnia and Herzegovina and its people was realized through the opening of concentration camps where the innocent civilians were tortured and killed. In the notorious camps women were raped and tortured. Aside from extermination of everything that was not of Serbian origin, Serbs systematically destroyed cultural objects in the attempt to completely erase any trace of their existence. They additionally organized deliberate and systematic killing of Bosniak intelligence.

**III}** The systematic pattern in a violent takeover of power, crimes committed, the extent and pattern of attacks, their intensity, a large number of Bosniak murders, expulsion, deportation and their cruel treatment in concentration camps and other places of confinement, rape and numerous targeted attacks on the key individuals in Bosniak communities (prominent intellectual, political and spiritual figures, and wealthy Bosniaks) are unequivocal evidence of intent

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and genocide against Bosniaks in order to exterminate them, that is to try to prevent that they reproduce and to live in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

**IV}** Over the judgments of the International Criminal Tribunal for former Yugoslavia and the judgment of the International Court of Justice, which are defined and judged the genocide in Srebrenica, became the undisputed facts of international law. Based on these judgments IGC concludes that genocide in Srebrenica was not a matter of subjective definition, it is internationally certified and judged and cannot be denied.

**V}** There is continuity of concealment, denial and relativization of genocide against Bosniaks. Denial of genocide is in favor of permanent and continuous process of equalizing the victims of genocide and its perpetrators is contrary to the international law, and it gives the qualification of such an important issue such as genocide that does not fit the facts and is in contradicting with the relevant documentation that the Tribunal holds. At the end this decision favors manipulators over the victims of genocide in Bosnia and Herzegovina, which tend to equalize and balance the crimes among the three peoples in Bosnia and Herzegovina with the ultimate goal of changing the war of aggression into a civil war, and the crime of genocide into ethnic cleansing.

**VI}** Starting from the fact that this political decision of the International Criminal Tribunal for former Yugoslavia may have unforeseeable, negative consequences for the process of democratization, peace and reconciliation in the region for truth and justice in the world and that it further reduces the already shaky tribunal, which was established to condemn the crime of genocide in Bosnia and Hercegovine, that would have left offspring of human civilization in the fear of re-genocide, IGC invites President of the International Criminal Tribunal for former Yugoslavia Mr. Theodor Meron to comply with the rules of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia on the basis of the Genocide Convention, the decision to initiate the changes that the Panel has made a serious mistake when clearly found that there is no evidence beyond the level of suspicion for the crime of genocide in seven municipalities in Bosnia and Hercegovine.

**VII}** International community and founder of United Nations Security Council are responsible for the operation of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, which was established for war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide in Bosnia and Hercegovine. Idea creators and implementers of these crimes were Slobodan Milosevic, Radovan Karadzic and

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Ratko Mladic. If not appealed the decision, or possibly if the Appeals Chamber confirmed the release point for Karadzic of genocide in seven municipalities in Bosnia and Hercegovina, IGC believes that this is the end of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and by the end of international justice, which encourages new genocides.

**VIII}** IGC is not give up its human responsibility in maintaining the right of each and every human being to security, dignity, stability, and equality, regardless of his/ her residence, race, culture, religious sect, ideological belief, or political affiliation.

**IX}** IGC rejects all forms of racial discrimination and all forms of practices based on fanaticism, establishing the principles of social justice, democracy, and integrity among citizens, and neutralizing them, without approaching their human rights, in cases of military disputes.

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