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Press Release: Bosniak Americans must vote in the U.S. elections on November 6th

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Chicago, IL - We urge Bosniak Americans to exercise their right to vote in the U.S. elections on November 6, 2012, and thus demonstrate:

- 1) national-political-democratic maturity of Bosniak American communities;
- 2) interest in active participation in the American political process;
- 3) willingness of Bosniak American communities to influence the results of elections in the United States.

Bosniak community in the U.S. plays a significant part in the American political arena. Bosnia and Herzegovina as a sovereign state and Bosniaks as a sovereign people deserve their own place in American politics. American elections are an opportunity for Bosniaks to present themselves as politically active and informed constituents in the U.S. electorate. The Bosniak votes may prove significant enough to influence the American political course for the betterment of our communities and of Bosnia and Herzegovina. The U.S. elections are also an opportunity to support those representatives who share our vision of a multiethnic, multicultural, multireligious, unified, democratic state of Bosnia and Herzegovina as an open, free and civil society.

We urge all Bosniak American who are entitled and registered to vote, to fulfill their civic and moral duty and vote on November 6th, 2012.

Press release issued by the following partner organizations:

Haris Alibasic, President of the **Congress of North American Bosniaks** (CNAB)

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