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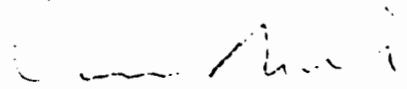
Dear Mr President,

I would like to draw your attention to a typographical error in the Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina, recently discovered by State Department lawyers and OHR lawyers. The error is to be found in Article V (2) (c), which refers to the list of competencies in Article III (1) (a)-(e). This reference is wrong. The intended agreed reference to Article V (3) (a)-(e) was transcribed as a reference to Article III (1) (a)-(e). A review of U.S. records reveals that the reference to Article III (1) (a)-(e) in this place was made inadvertently in the course of reorganising the Constitution in the final days of Dayton.

Therefore, the future publication of the Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina shall be of the text which the parties agreed on rather than of the erroneous literal print.

As you know, OHR is preparing the publication of the official version of the BH Constitution in the three languages of Bosnia and Herzegovina. These publications will contain the correct reference.

Yours sincerely,



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