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RESOLUTION CONCERNING SERBIA

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At its meeting in Bordeaux on 7th May 2010, the European Association of Judges (EAJ) passed resolutions to urge Serbian authorities to remedy the infringements of the independence of the judiciary which had been caused by the so-called (re-) election process of judges and prosecutors which violated the principles of irremovability of judges and of judges' tenure of office and was exercised in a way, which was against fundamental principles of Article 6 ECHR.

In a similar way also the Consultative Council of European Judges (CCJE) passed a declaration.

The European Association of Judges regrets that it has to observe that its resolution and the declaration of the CCJE were not followed and the problems mentioned above were not solved so far.

In its plenary meeting of 10th November 2010 the EAJ decided to address the general assembly of the International Association of Judges (IAJ) with the issue asking for support.

The European Association of Judges once again urges the Serbian Authorities to remedy as quickly as possible this violation of the fundamental tenet of judicial independence, which happened by the election process last year by following the proposals of the Consultative Council of European Judges.

Note: This resolution was also unanimously supported by the Central Council of the International Association of Judges (LAJ) on 11th November 2010.