



**MONTENEGRO  
GOVERNMENT OF MONTENEGRO  
MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

**II- AMENDMENT ON THE REPORT ON READINESS OF  
MONTENEGRO FOR LIBERALIZATION OF VISA REGIME**

Podgorica, October 2008.

## **BLOCK 2: ILLEGAL MIGRATIONS, INCLUDING READMISSION**

### **2.1 Legislation that regulates movement of persons towards outer borders, as well as organization of border services and their functions in accordance with the Action plan for implementation of the Strategy on integrated border management, adopted in December 2006.**

Representatives of the Ministry of Interior and Public Administration and Police Directorate, participants of DCAF workshop on reform of legislation, have prepared work version of the Law on Amendments and supplements of the Law on State Border surveillance, which was discussed at the workshop held in September 2008. in Ulcinj. According to opinion of experts, it is necessary to harmonize existing Law on State Border Surveillance with Schengen Code on borders, which is not possible to accomplish by introducing only amendments and supplements, but it is necessary to draft new law.

In case Minister of Interior and Public Administration and Director of the Police Directorate find recommendations of DCAF experts acceptable, new Law on State Border Surveillance will be drafted, which means that this obligation from the Work program of the Government of Montenegro will be transferred for next year.

#### **2.1.3 Report on Action Plan for IBM (Integrated Border Management) and its results, including those on border controls (checks, surveillance, manuals).**

In project tasks of reconstruction or construction of border crossing points «Dobrakovo» and «Dračenovac», is also planned video surveillance. Means for construction and reconstruction were provided through IPA 2008., and it will be operative at the beginning of 2009. Setting up video surveillance on other border crossing points will depend on financial possibilities of the Police Directorate and possible donors.

Activities on formation of regional level teams - teams for IBM, in charge of coordination and synchronization of border services are on going, and by the end of the year was planned their final formation.

### **2.2 Undertaking budget and other administrative measures with aim to provide infrastructure, equipment, IT technology for outer borders, as well as navigation of priorities in that relation.**

By the end of this year following border crossing points will be connected to computing network of the Police Directorate: Airport Podgorica, Airport Tivat, Debeli brijeg, Port Bar, Dobrakovo, Dračenovac, Kula, Božaj, Sukobin, Ilino brdo.

Passport readers (39), donated by the EAR will be placed in border crossing points: Airport Podgorica, Airport Tivat, Port Bar, Debeli brijeg, Dobrakovo.

At border crossing point Ilino brdo, signing of an agreement with Customs on joint use of optical cable is expected. At border crossing point Božaj, still, after reconstruction, is not yet made infrastructure which would enable spreading of electronic cables within the

building. Fast connection of the border crossing point Sitnica is expected, but it is necessary to define whether it is possible to make the connection through optical cables or other possibilities will be considered.

NCB Interpol, in cooperation with Department for informational systems and Border Police Sector, actively prepare widening of Interpol's system, and priority is installment and introduction of systems at border crossing points Por Bar and Debeli brijeg and testing of optical readers which will be placed on those crossing points. For four border crossing points were provided necessary means for equipment and appropriate application programs, through donation from Stability Pact and by means of General Secretariat of Interpol and EAR. As for other four border crossing points, projects were submitted to international donors in order to provide means for equipment purchase. After necessary equipment is purchased, widening of Interpol's systems will continue to other border crossing points. This includes equipment for reading travel documents, checking persons, reading and checking registration plates and checking numbers from chassis of the vehicle. After that, possibility for adding new clients and computer at border crossing points Dobrakovo, Dračenovac and Kula will be considered. By the end of 2008. parts of the I24/7 system will be installed at following border crossing points: Airport Podgorica, Airport Tivat, Port Bar, Debeli brijeg, Dobrakovo, and further activities are harmonized with plans of NCB Podgorica.

### **BLOCK 3: PREVENTION AND FIGHT AGAINST ORGANIZED CRIME AND CORRUPTION**

#### **3.7. Undertaking necessary steps with aim to ensure cooperation on law application between relevant agencies, especially among: Border Police, Police, Customs officials, as well as cooperation with justice officials.**

At the end of November 2006. in organization of the OSCE Mission to Montenegro and UNDOC, was held coordination meeting with subject: «National system for intelligence analysis». Conclusion from this meeting was to send the proposal for formation of Work group for setting up NCIS in Montenegro to interested leaders of public administration bodies. At the beginning of 2007. was formed Work group composed of representatives from: the Police Directorate, Customs Administration, Tax Administration and Agency for Anti Money Laundering and Financing of Terrorism. On that occasion, Agency for National Security named its representative as envoy. Overall support to work of the Working group gave and are giving representatives of OSCE Mission to Montenegro, CAFAO (Customs and Fiscal Aid Office – EU), UNODC (United Nations Office for Fight against Drugs and Criminal), SNPO (Swedish National Police Board), ICITAP (International Criminal Investigative Training Assistance Program – USA), US Embassy and Embassy of United Kingdom.

At coordination meetings of working group and representatives of all mentioned subjects, until December 2007. was harmonized Model for joint office under work name «National Coordination Office of Public Administration Bodies». Conclusion from the last meeting

of work group was that all necessary conditions for opening this office are created, and in accordance with that, a letter should be written and verified by all leaders/directors of Public Administration bodies and sent to the Prime Minister of the Government of Montenegro, with concrete proposals, which was done on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2008.

By opening of this office, conditions are created for improvement of inter-institution and international cooperation in area of fight against corruption and organized crime. Also, conditions are created for implementation of important measure of the Action Plan: «cooperation between states with aim to organize joint operations for fight against organized crime and exchange of information» in frames of which was foreseen signing of bilateral agreements with surrounding countries, EU member states and EUROPOL.

### **3.9. Undertaking necessary measures for signing agreements on operational cooperation with EUROPOL with special stress on provisions on data protection.**

After signing the Strategic Agreement on cooperation between Montenegro and EUROPOL, currently is ongoing purchase of equipment for setting up security communication system between the Police Directorate and EUROPOL. Besides this, drafting of harmonization of Montenegrin legislation, organizational and technical system with EUROPOL standards is currently in progress, after which will be drafted Road Map for reaching those standards in cooperation with EUROPOL. At the same time, Police Directorate will be introduced to mentioned standards in detail through trainings, hiring EUROPOL experts and study visits to EUROPOL Headquarters. Besides this, currently are made amendments to existing Systematization of Work Positions Act within the Police Directorate, which would enable formal creation of organizational unit for cooperation with EUROPOL. Also, ongoing is process of providing adequate space in accordance with safety standards of EUROPOL, from the aspect of data protection. EUROPOL created a plan according to which Montenegro could achieve set standards by the end of 2009., when could be expected signing of Operational Agreement on Cooperation.