OHR's Statement at the International Agencies' Joint Press Conference in Banja Luka

RS Government on Reform Must Improve

The Principal Deputy High Representative, Larry Butler, will hold a press conference within the next few days, on the RS Government's record of securing key reforms that will bring direct and desperately needed benefits to citizens.

This record is <u>not</u> good.

This is threatening the very real prospects that BiH now has of moving forward with the EU integration process, attracting investment, creating jobs and improving living standards.

BiH is entering a new era, and to deliver the benefits of that new era to citizens, the authorities must move forward, with a clear practical and political commitment, in order to secure the necessary reforms.

We will be issuing a media advisory later today with more details in due course.