<u>Statement by the Ambassadors of Peace Implementation Council</u> Steering Board

PIC Regrets Parties Unable to Reach Compromise

Meeting today in Sarajevo, the Ambassadors of the Steering Board of the Peace Implementation Council (PIC SBA) welcomed the efforts of OHR to give HDZ-BiH, HDZ-1990, SDP, and SDA the best chance to move forward more than five months after the October 2010 elections. However, they also expressed their regret that parties were not able to agree to the compromise proposal that would have established a broad-based coalition in the Federation.

The PIC SBA urges all parties to act responsibly and in line with the Constitutions and the Dayton Peace Accord. The political parties must now turn their attention to the urgent practical challenges facing the people of Bosnia and Herzegovina.[1]

[1] Republic of Turkey concurs only with the first paragraph.