

Authentic Interpretation of the Law on BiH Council of Ministers

High Representative, Miroslav Lajčák, today issued a <u>decision</u> enacting the Authentic Interpretation of the Law on Changes and Amendments to the Law on the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Authentic Interpretation is an integral part of the law it interprets and has the force of Law.

Authentic Interpretation is applicable as of the day of entering into force of the Law on Changes and Amendments to the Law on the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina on an interim basis, until such time as the Parliamentary Assembly of Bosnia and Herzegovina adopts this Authentic Interpretation together with the said Law without amendments.

The aim of the Law on Changes and Amendments to the Law on the Council of Ministers of Bosnia And Herzegovina enacted by the Decision of the High Representative of 19 October 2007 is to facilitate the operation of the Council of Ministers and ensure that none of the members of the CoM can obstruct its work and to be able to take decisions at all times. These changes apply equally to all members of the CoM and do not touch upon the overall composition of the CoM, and in particular the equal representation of the constituent peoples. Changes and amendments are not to the detriment of any constituent people and any Entities of Bosnia and Herzegovina.