Statememt: Paravac Not Above the Law

The High Representative, Paddy Ashdown, responded today to a letter sent by BiH Presidency Member Borislav Paravac on 15 September 2005, explaining the circumstances in which Mr Paravac violated the High Representatives Decision of 30 June 2004, which blocked all SDS bank accounts, and required any financial transaction by the SDS in excess of 150 KM to be conducted through a single authorised bank account.

In his letter, Mr Paravac emphasized that he knows he is not above the law.

The High Representative in his response notes that Mr Paravac has acknowledged the seriousness of the matter.

The High Representative will now be considering the matter further.