## **OHR Press Release**

The High Representative deplores the ruling of the Republika Srpska Constitutional Court in what is clearly a decision taken under political pressure.

This reinforces the legal position taken by the High Representative and supported by the Venice Commission that President Plavsic acted fully in accordance with the Republika Srpska Constitution.

The High Representative now calls for an end to the political impasse in Republika Srpska and calls for the election of a new National Assembly at the earliest possible opportunity. The people of Republika Srpska deserve the right to be represented only by those who are elected in a free and democratic way. New elections under international supervision are the only possible way to resolve ~is damaging crisis.