Steering Board condemns Leutar attack

The Steering Board members unanimously deplore the car bombing in Sarajevo which resulted in serious injuries to the Federation Deputy Minister of Interior, Jozo Leutar, and two of his colleagues. Members extend their sympathies to the families of the victims and offer their best wishes for the full recovery of the injured .

The Steering Board calls on the local authorities to urgently take the necessary steps to identify, apprehend and prosecute the perpetrators of this appalling crime.

The Steering Board urges all sides to maintain calm and not to jump to any rash and premature conclusions regarding the possible motivation of this act. An investigation is under way which the Steering Board hopes will lead to the swift indictment of the perpetrators.

The Steering Board condemns in the strongest possible terms all acts of terrorism, and warns that such acts will not go unpunished .

The Steering Board also takes this opportunity to warn against the exploitation of this criminal act for political ends, especially the suggestion that it somehow renders impossible the co-existence for the peoples of Bosnia and Herzegovina. It would be highly irresponsible to use this act as a pretext or excuse for blocking the work of any of the institutions, either at entity or at state level.