## **High Representative removes SDS vice-Chairman Cavic from Office**

The High Representative has written this morning to Dragan Cavic, Vice-Chairman of the SDS, notifying him of his decision to remove him from office in the newly elected Republika Srpska Assembly, using the authority vested in him by the Bonn Peace Implementation Council. Mr Cavic is also barred indefinitely from holding further official positions in BiH.

In his letter the High Representative expresses his extreme displeasure at the statements made by Mr Cavic, on Kosovo and on the outcome of the recent elections, on October 5, interpreting these as an incitement to violence and a deliberate threat to the security of the International Community, and to the Dayton peace implementation process.

The High Representative will not tolerate the continuation in office of any official who seeks to provoke violent behaviour or exacerbate political tensions.