## <u>Decision determining the design of the seal of Herzegovina-</u> Neretva Canton

In accordance with my authority under Annex 10 of the General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Article XI of the Conclusions of the Peace Implementation Conference held in Bonn on 10 December 1997, I hereby take the following

## **DECISION**

According to Chapter I, Article 6(1) of the Constitution of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina providing that "The official languages of the Federation shall be the Bosniac and Croat language. The script shall be the Latin alphabet...". Each Canton is, therefore, required to respect this constitutional provision in all its official actions, including the use of its seal.

It follows that, in the case of the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton,

- 1. all organs of the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton, which are entitled by the Law on the Seal of the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton to use a seal, shall have a single official seal as described in this Decision;
- 2. the seal shall have the shape of a circle and contain the following text:

Bosnia and Herzegovina – Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina– Herzegovina Neretva Canton, written on the outer edge of the seal in a concentric circle in the Bosniac and Croat language in such a way that the text is written in letters smaller than the letters in the inner circle of the seal, in which the title and the seat of the organ are written, as designed in the model seal attached to this Decision;

3. all provisions of the Law on Seal of the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton shall continue to apply to the extent that they are not inconsistent with this Decision.

This Decision enters into force with immediate effect, and it shall be published in the Official Gazette of the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton without delay.

6 July 1999

Carlos Westendorp High Representative Saraievo

## Office of the High Representative