High Representative facilitates implementation of Six Party Agreement

High Representative Valentin Inzko will take the necessary steps to facilitate the implementation of the Six Party Agreement on state and defence issues. The High Representative informed the State Property Commission today that he is ready to amend his Order to enable a future intergovernmental agreement and Parliamentary Assembly Decision on defence property to enter into force.

In a letter addressed to the Chairman of the State Property Commission Zvonimir Kutleša today, the High Representative wrote that the Six Party Agreement represented "an important and positive development" that warranted reconsideration of the existing state property disposal bans, including his Order of 5 January 2011 which suspended the application of the Law on the Status of State Property Situated in the Territory of Republika Srpska. He confirmed that he was ready to amend his Order "to facilitate implementation of the Six-Party Agreement".

The High Representative stressed that nothing in his Order prevents the conclusion of the intergovernmental agreement or the adoption of BiH Parliamentary Assembly decision foreseen by the Six-Party Agreement. "Similarly, nothing in my Order prevents the compilation of an inventory of state property, which is the Commission's immediate responsibility", the High Representative said.

Recalling that the Council of Ministers tasked the State Property Commission with making all preparations for the implementation of the state property section of the Six-Party Agreement, including an inventory of state property that should be completed by 9 June 2012, the High Representative urged the Commission to "initiate and complete this undertaking as quickly as possible".