Legal Advisor

Position Title: **Legal Advisor**

Department / Work Unit: **Legal Department**

Duty Station: **Mostar**

Contract Type: **National**

PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF THE POSITION

Under the supervision of the Head of Legal Department OHR Sarajevo, the Head of Legal Section will focus on constitutional and legal issues in his/hers area of responsibility. The Legal Advisor is expected to consult with the Political Advisors on all crosscutting issues involving his/her area of responsibility. The incumbent will operate within the OHR Department for Legal Affairs and exercise discretion and responsibility in determining, prioritising and executing work related tasks to fulfil the mission of the OHR in his/her area of responsibility. The Legal Advisor activities also require maintaining regular contact and consultation with legal experts from relevant fields, and in particular with the legal officers responsible for constitutional and electoral matters.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Advise the Head of Department for Legal Affairs on all legal and other matters in his/her AoR;
- At Federal level, report and advise on legislation affecting Cantons 7, 8 and 10 and Mostar City;

- At Cantonal level (Cantons 8, 9 and 10) report and advise on legislation and legal matters arising in their implementation;
- Advise on legal questions arising out of the implementation of the Statute of the City of Mostar;
- Maintain close liaison with Cantonal (7, 8 and 10) Ministers of Justice and President of Mostar City Council;
- Maintain close liaison with Legal Department OHR Sarajevo;
- Other matter as assigned by the Head of Department for Legal Affairs.

PROFESSIONAL REQUIREMENTS/QUALIFICATIONS

- University degree in Law.
- Work experience preferably in the field of international relations.
- Prior experience in working in BiH and/or former Yugoslavia.
- Knowledge of the current socio-political environment within BIH and a personal commitment to peace implementation to BiH.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and ability to work long hours in a difficult environment.
- Excellent oral and written communications skills in English.
- Leading and managing skills necessary.

Any person with the above qualifications should provide (in English) a CV with a one-page cover letter and references to the following:

Personnel
Office of the High Representative

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Only short-listed candidates will be contacted
No telephone inquiries please