

HR/EUSR Meets Council of Europe Monitoring Delegation

The High Representative and EU Special Representative, Miroslav Lajčák, met today with the Monitoring delegation from the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE), led by Assembly member Mr. Kimmo Sassi.

HR/EUSR Miroslav Lajčák informed Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly delegation about the present political situation and the status of reform processes, especially police reform, as final remaining obstacle on the road of BiH's European integration.

The Delegation of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe and HR/EUSR Lajčák agreed that BiH has made minimal progress in implementation of post-accession obligations towards the Council of Europe. BiH is yet to make progress regarding implementation of reforms in the education field and establishment of a single ombudsman institution. Also, it is recognized that it is now for the country to continue with the reform processes, police reform in particular. "Solving this issue opens the road for BiH to join the EU, only proper future, as opposed to self imposed isolation", the HR/EUSR said.