

Supervisor Berton rejects request to allow holding of referendum in Brcko District



Brcko District Supervisor Bruce G. Berton responded today to the letter of Brcko Mayor Anto Domic, in which he requested the Supervisor's consent to the holding of the RS referendum on the territory of the Brcko District of BiH for the citizens of Brcko who hold RS citizenship.

"The High Representative has made it clear that the decision on the referendum concerning the RS day is unconstitutional and that it challenges a decision of the BiH Constitutional Court. I have therefore decided not to give my consent to the holding of the RS referendum on the territory of the Brcko District", said Supervisor Berton in his reply to Brcko Mayor Domic.

The Supervisory Order enacted in 2007 prescribes that referenda on the territory of the Brcko District are subject to the prior written consent of the Brcko Supervisor, and to be undertaken only under the terms approved by the Brcko Supervisor. The aim of this measure is to ensure that referenda held in the District are consistent with both domestic and international laws and in particular the terms of the GFAP.