

The High Representative and a High Ranking BiH and Entity Delegation In Brussels Tomorrow to meet with the PIC

A two-day meeting of the Peace Implementation Council (PIC) starts this afternoon. During this two-day meeting the PIC will meet senior International Community, BiH and Entity representatives.

Together with the High Representative, Paddy Ashdown, and his deputies, the PIC will hear from BiH's highest ranking government executives; the BiH Prime Minister, Adnan Terzic, BiH Minister of Security, Barisa Colak, BiH Minister of Justice, Slobodan Kovac, RS Prime Minister, Dragan Mikerevic, and FBiH Prime Minister, Ahmet Hadzipasic. They will report on the progress BiH has made in fulfilling the Rule of Law targets agreed between the BiH authorities and the International Community when the PIC met in Sarajevo in September of last year.

As part of this same process, the BiH State and Entity Prime Ministers will tomorrow present the latest part of their 'Agenda for Reform' – the Public Administration Reform targets. BiH and the RS have made some good progress in this field, civil service laws are in place, and civil service agencies have been established.

The PIC will discuss the outcome of investigations into the 'Orao' arms-to-Iraq affair and consider what action needs to be taken in the light of it.

The PIC will review BiH's Economic Reform agenda. The High Representative and members of the International Financial

Institutions will set out the challenges that BiH faces, and will discuss the reforms that will be needed to meet those challenges.

The PIC will also review the current political situation in BiH and the development of the BiH War Crimes Prosecution capability.