

**The Republic of Serbia**

**Ministry of Justice**

**LETTER OF INTENT**

**Belgrade**  
**18 October 2004**

The Parties signatories hereto acknowledge the following:

- The Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Serbia has through the Judicial Reform Commission, formed by the RS Government decree, formed a working group for drafting the Law on Misdemeanours and set the main objectives and streamlines for advancing the systems of magistrates in the Republic of Serbia as a part of the Judicial Reform Strategy.
- UNDP is interested in taking part in the discussion and drafting the final version of the Law on Misdemeanours.
- UNDP is ready to assist in advancement and strengthening the misdemeanors system through the project "Strengthening the System of Misdemeanours and Magistrates' Courts".

## II

Having in mind the abovementioned, the parties signatories hereto agree on the following:

1. The project "Strengthening the System of Misdemeanours and Magistrates' Courts" was proposed by the UNDP and its implementation will be funded by the Swedish organisation Sida.
2. The project "Strengthening the System of Misdemeanours and Magistrates' Courts", in light of the recently drafted Basis for the Judicial Reform Strategy as well as the Draft Law on Misdemeanours and the Judicial Reform Council's findings, shall be attuned based on the agreement between the Ministry and UNDP and on the basis of the meeting at the Ministry of Justice of 7 May 2004 between the Mr. Francis O'Donnell, RR; Ms. Olivera Puric, Programme Specialist and Mr. Djordje Djordjevic, JTC War Crimes Consultant for UNDP and Mr. Zoran Stojkovic, Minister; Ms. Aleksandra Popovic, Assistant Minister for International Cooperation and Ms. Vesna Dabic, PR for the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Serbia.

## III

With regards to the urgency of the project, having in mind the issuance of the Working Draft Law on Misdemeanour, the Project "Strengthening the System of Misdemeanours and Magistrates' Courts" shall be implemented in two phases:

Phase one: Organizing of the seminar/conference with objective to present the Draft Law on Misdemeanours. This phase of the project shall be implemented immediately


following the signing of this Letter on Intent and transfer of funds from UNDP to the Ministry's donors' account.

Phase two: the implementation of the Project "Strengthening the System of Misdemeanours and Magistrates' Courts" shall follow the official signing of project document by UNDP and the Ministry of Justice.

The project document shall mean the attuned basic Project document "Strengthening the System of Misdemeanours and Magistrates' Courts" pursuant to the Ministry's requirements in respect of the Judicial Reform Strategy and the Draft Law on Misdemeanours and its positions presented at the meeting of 7 May 2004.

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