SRSG's decision in the complaint of Petra Kostić (No. 194/09)

After reviewing the Human Rights Advisory Panel's (HRAP) Opinion on the Complaint of Petra Kostić (Complaint no. 194/09), I informed my Advisory Panel, on 18 September 2013, of the following:

- I wish at the outset to express my appreciation for the work of the Panel and for the recommendations it has made in relation to the present complaint.
- With respect to the first recommendation, UNMIK will continue to urge the European Union Rule of Law Mission in Kosovo (EULEX), which since 2008 has taken over all responsibilities in the area of justice and the rule of law in Kosovo, to liaise with the relevant Kosovo authorities to ensure that the Complainant's case be decided without any further delays.
- In relation to the HRAP's recommendation to award compensation to the Complainant, I wish to recall that the acts in question relate to activities carried out by the institutions established under the interim administration of Kosovo. As such, had UNMIK continued to have control over these institutions today, I would have been in a position to refer the HRAP's recommendations to those institutions for appropriate action. I am prepared to discuss the possibility of dealing with adequate compensation matters with the relevant authorities at the appropriate juncture.
- UNMIK will keep the Complainant and the HRAP informed about further developments in the above matter.

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