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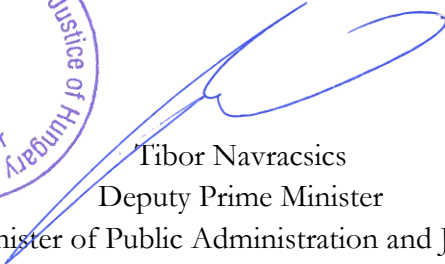
Dear Secretary General,

In the spirit of constructive dialogue, please allow me to inform you hereby that today the Government of Hungary decided to exclude the possibility of re-election of the President of the National Judicial Office and of all the members of the Media Council. The proposals for amendment to this aim will be handed in by the Government to the Parliament.

Besides let me call your attention to the fact that the Parliament passed an amendment to the text of the bill of the Media Act specifying the competency criterion for the President of the Media Authority, for the Chairperson and for the members of the Media Council. While the Government of Hungary submitted a bill proposing a ten years professional experience requirement, the Parliament followed the proposal of a Member of Parliament setting a requirement of five years only.

Yours sincerely,




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