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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Serbia to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, and has the honour to present the candidature of Ms. Milica Kolakovic-Bojovic for the membership to the United Nations Committee on Enforced Disappearances at the elections to be held on 14 June 2021 in New York.

Ms. Kolakovic-Bojovic is a highly qualified expert on international law with a large number of scientific works, huge experience and numerous participations in the development of policy analysis and strategic documents in the field of judicial reform, prosecution of war crimes, victims' rights and the execution of penal sanctions. She was elected as the member of the Committee in 2017, and currently serves as the Vice President. The Government of the Republic of Serbia is of the firm belief that a further engagement of Ms. Kolakovic-Bojovic would further significantly contribute to the effective work of the Committee.

The Permanent Mission has the honour to attach to this Note Verbal the Curriculum Vitae of Ms. Kolakovic-Bojovic.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Serbia to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.



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Office of the High Commissioner  
for Human Rights  
United Nations  
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## Annex I

### Biographical data form of candidates to the Committee on Enforced Disappearances

**Family name and first name:** Kolaković-Bojović Milica

**Date and place of birth:** 17. 2. 1984. Belgrade, Serbia

**Nationality:** Serbian

**United Nations working languages:** English

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#### **Current position/function:**

1. Since 2019- Vice-President of the UN Committee on Enforced Disappearances
2. Since 2017- Member of the UN Committee on Enforced Disappearances
3. Senior Research Fellow- Institute of Criminological and Sociological Research- Belgrade, Serbia
4. Asst. Professor of the Criminal law and procedure- PEM University, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Hercegovina
5. Independent legal and justice reform expert on the several OSCE, UNICEF, UNDP, EU and CoE justice reform projects

#### **Main professional activities:**

Milica Kolaković-Bojović, PhD is law professor, researcher in the scientific institute and an independent legal and human rights expert. In her professional career she has been engaged as an expert in the numerous scientific research and donor-funded projects in justice sector, supported or implemented by the OSCE, CoE, EU, World Bank, USAID, UNICEF, UNDP, German and Swiss governments, both- at the national and international level. She has also coordinated or participated in the development of the more than 30 public policy analyses and strategic documents in the field of judicial reform, prosecution of war crimes, victims' rights and the execution of penal sanctions.

In addition to her academic work and the expert engagement in the justice sector reforms, Mrs. Kolaković-Bojović took part in the Negotiating Mechanism of the Republic of Serbia with the EU from 2013 to 2018 in the capacity the coordinator of the Action Plan for Chapter 23 and the President of the Council for the Implementation of the Action Plan for Chapter 23.

She has published two books and more than 70 scientific papers and book chapters, so far. She is Editor-in-chief of the Journal of Criminology and Criminal Law and a member of the Serbian Association for Criminal Law Theory and Practice.



### **Legal expertise/experience and main activities in the field of enforced disappearances:**

In June 2017 Mrs. Kolaković-Bojović has been elected in the membership of the UN CED. In September 2017 she was appointed to the position of the UN CED reprisal focal point. Since 2019 she is a Vice-President of the Committee. In the scope of her work within the Committee, she served as a rapporteur in several occasions, but also worked on the development of the *Guiding Principles for Search for Disappeared Persons* adopted by the CED in 2019. Since 2020 she is a member of the working group for urgent actions. Also in 2020, the Committee appointed her to work on the development of the *Guidelines to prevent and address intimidation and reprisal against individuals and groups cooperating with the Committee on Enforced Disappearances*.

### **Educational background**

2016- University of Belgrade, Faculty of Law- Ph.D. in criminal law and procedure (Efficiency of Criminal Justice)

2008- University of Belgrade, Faculty of Law- LL.M. Criminal Law (Juvenile Justice)

2007- University of Belgrade, Faculty of Law- B.A. Degree- Judicial Department

### **List of most recent publications, particularly in the field of enforced disappearances:**

1. Kolaković-Bojović, M. (2019). The synergy between criminal law and medicine under the International Convention for the Protection of all Persons from Enforced Disappearance. In: I. Stevanović & N. Vujičić (Eds.) *Penal law and medicine - Collection of papers from international scientific thematic conference*, (pp. 387-398). Palić, 29-30.05.2019. Belgrade: Institute of Criminological and Sociological Research.
  2. Kolaković-Bojović, M. (2019). Wrongful Removal of Children, Protection of the Rights of the Child “30 Years After the Adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child”, No.2, 429-449. Novi Sad: Autonomous Province of Vojvodina Provincial Protector of Citizens – Ombudsman and Institute of Criminological and Sociological Research
  3. Kolaković-Bojović, M. (2017) The Incrimination of Enforced Disappearance in the Criminal Law of the Republic of Serbia, *Zbornik Instituta za kriminološka i sociološka istraživanja*, no. 1, pp. 135-148.
  4. Kolaković-Bojović, M, Grujić, Z. (2020) Crime Victims And The Right To Human Dignity - Challenges and Attitudes In Serbia- in Z. Pavlović, ed. *Yearbook Human Rights Protection, The Right to Human Dignity* (239-270) Novi Sad: Provincial Protector of Citizens – Ombudsman and Institute of Criminological and Sociological Research.
  5. Kolaković-Bojović, M. (2018) Child victims in Serbia: Normative Framework, Reform Steps and EU Standards, (pp. 171 - 182) *Child Friendly Justice*, Belgrade.
  6. Kolaković-Bojović, M. & Turanjanin, V. /2018/ Secret Detention Sites in the European Court of Human Rights Jurisprudence, *Security System Reforms as Precondition For Euro-Atlantic Integrations*, 2018, pp. 152-164.
  7. Tilovska-Kchegi, E, Kolaković-Bojović, M. & Turanjanin, V. /2018/ Support to Victims of Crime: EU Standards and Challenges in Serbia, *Towards a Better Future: The Rule of Law, Democracy and Polycentric Development*, 125-135.
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