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## **ABOUT US**

This was the third year of operation of the Centre for Security Studies (CSS). CSS has been envisaged as an independent research, educational and training enterprise dedicated to encouraging informed debate on security matters and on promoting and sustaining democratic structures and processes in the foreign and security policies of Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH), and in the region of South-East Europe. This report covers the activities of the Centre for Security Studies from January to the end of December 2003.

## **CSS PROJECTS**

### **Security Education Development Initiative – SEDI**

In the period between 19- 23 July 2003 the Centre for Security Studies BiH organised the second Summer school of security under the project named “*SECURITY EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE – SEDI*”.

The aim of the school is the promotion and improving cooperation between young experts in the field of security, as well as promoting the development of democratic institutions through the education of young experts. One of the goals of the school was to stimulate regional cooperation, understanding and tolerance. It created a forum for the exchange of opinions between representatives from countries in the region and representative from the international community. The school was organised on interactive principles with active participation of young people through their presentations, comments and discussions.

Amongst the participants there were young experts from Albania, Croatia, Macedonia, Serbia and Montenegro and Bosnia and Herzegovina. Lecturers included well-known experts in the security sector from the USA and Europe as well as international and local officials from BiH.

### **Dialogue on the Peoples Constitution of BiH**

The Government of the Kingdom of Norway provided the funding for the project named «Dialogue on the Peoples Constitution of BiH» which began in September 2003. This project is to be undertaken by the Centre for Security Studies BiH and the Centre for Euro-Atlantic Integration and Democracy (CEID) from Budapest.

In implementing the project the participating group of intellectuals from BiH who are not directly related to politics, but possess a certain level of respect in BiH as well as outside of it and so in that way they have an influence on the entire population.

The aim of the project is the identification of parts of the Constitution and the political system of BiH, which are not functioning well or not functioning at all. On this basis the group needs to identify concrete amendments emphasising the basic principles that the new Constitution should include. Finally, the results achieved should be presented to the political structures in an appropriate manner with the aim of creating a prosperous and modern European BiH.

## RESEARCH

Research was carried out on the basic security issues affecting Bosnia and Herzegovina. The research and intellectual network was spread all over the territory and social strata of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

### **Needs Assessment on Small Arms and Light Weapons in Bosnia and Herzegovina**

For the needs of UNDP BiH, The Centre for Security Studies BiH conducted research over a three-month period from April to the end of June 2003 of the needs of BiH in the area of Small Arms and Light Weapons. The research included many segments of social activities, and amongst other things included the following: total legal regulation in the area of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) in BiH; Government capability to implement and administer legal regulations on SALW, the Capacity and role of the military industry in BiH in relation to SALW, activities of the International community in BiH on this issue, Possible education and awareness raising campaigns, etc. The mission of the project was to use the information gained through the comprehensive research to provide recommendations for the future activities of state institutions and NGO's. This would in effect improve the success of the fight against the problems of SALW in BiH

### **Survey on Demobilised Soldiers**

The Centre helped in the creation of the report named "Turning Soldiers into a Work Force – Demobilisation and Reintegration in Post-Dayton Bosnia and Herzegovina" which was made by the Bonn International Centre for Conversion (BICC) - Germany. For the needs of this report relating to demobilised soldiers in BiH a survey was conducted. Certain material was collected which related to these problems and this added to the quality of the report. The Centre received a letter of Acknowledgement from the Bonn International Centre for Conversion on all the support that we provided.

## GATHERINGS

The Centre during the past year organised many seminars, conferences, roundtables, panels and media presentations. These activities were aimed at providing information on security issues to government representatives in BiH, academic circles, the media and citizens of BiH Through open public and expert discussions the Centre is contributing to obtaining quality solutions to raised questions and issues. Chronological overview of organised activities:

- **Seminar: "Bosnia and Herzegovina towards Partnership for Peace"**  
25-26 March 2003, Sarajevo  
With the assistance of NATO HQ, Office of Information and Press, Brussels
- **Lectures, Faculty of the Criminal Justice Science, University of Sarajevo**  
**«Bosnia and Herzegovina towards Partnership for Peace»**  
Mr. Bruce McLane, Chief of Peace Keeping Section, NATO HQ, Brussels  
25.03.2003, Sarajevo
- **PARLIAMENTARY WORKSHOP:**  
**Good Governance of the Security and Defence Sector**  
Centre for Security Studies BiH in co-operation with the Centre for European Security Studies, Groningen, The Netherlands  
11-12 April 2003, Sarajevo

- **Visit to NATO HQ and SHAPE in Mons by young politicians from BiH,**  
In organisation of CSS BiH  
6-8 July, 2003, Brussels
- **SEDI 2003 – Security Education Development Initiative**  
Summer School of Security, 19-23 July 2003 Neum
- Inaugural Meeting «*Dialogue on the Peoples Constitution of BiH*»  
5 September 2003, Sarajevo
- **Handbook Promotion – «Parliamentarian oversight over the security sector»,**  
Under the auspices of DCAF and in cooperation with the OSCE Mission in BiH.  
17-19 September 2003, Sarajevo
- **CSS and Saferworld Seminar - ‘Civil Work on Small Arms Issues: Getting Further’**  
26 – 29 September, Sarajevo
- **Seminar on «Economic Aspects of Security»**  
CSS BiH and Office of the Personal Representative of the OSCE Chairman-in-Office for  
Articles II and IV, Annex 1B of the Dayton Peace Accord.  
2-5 October 2003, Trieste, Italy
- **Seminar “Draft Law on Intelligence and Security Agency of BiH”.**  
The Seminar is co-organized by the Centre for Security Studies BiH, and DCAF, Geneva and  
supported by the Office of the High Representative for BiH.  
27-28 November 2003, Sarajevo
- **Working Meeting on “Discussion on the Constitution of BiH”**  
5 December 2003, Sarajevo

## CO-OPERATION

Like in earlier years, the Centre during 2003 cooperated with many local and international, government and non-government institutions.

Amongst these there is the Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (**DCAF**) whose financial aid greatly affected the functioning of CSS. With their cooperation and huge endorsement two seminars were organised which were seen as very successful. On the other hand, representatives from the Centre participated on several events held outside of BiH which were organised by DCAF. CSS contributed to some of DCAF’s publications in parts that were related to the security situation in BiH.

In the last period there continues to be successful cooperation with the **NATO** Office of Information and Press, Brussels. With their contribution two gatherings were organised in BiH where, amongst others NATO representatives participated. Alongside these there were also lectures organised for students and professors from the University of Sarajevo at which NATO experts presented topics in the area of Security. In July, in joint organisation of CSS and NATO, young politicians from BiH visited NATO HQ and SHAPE in Brussels, with the aim of demonstrating to the young politicians the methods of work and functioning of these security bodies.

In continuing last years cooperation in the field of economic security, the Centre together with the Office of the Personal Representative of the **OSCE** Chairman-in-Office for Articles II and IV, Annex 1-B of the Dayton Peace Accords, for the second time organised a seminar called “Economic aspects of security”, which was held in Trieste, Italy on 2-5. October. At the beginning of this year a publication was launched which outlined last years seminar.

Consistent cooperation exists with **UNDP BiH**, especially on issues relating to SALW in BiH. The Centre actively participated in the work of the coordination group of international and local organisations and institutions on SALW, which is lead by UNDP BiH. There is also cooperation with **SEESAC** (The South Eastern Europe Clearinghouse for the Control of Small Arms and Light Weapons) based in Belgrade, Serbia and Montenegro. Representatives

of the Centre participated in several events organised by SEESAC, the main goal of which was to help and guide SALW activities in the SEE region.

Cooperation with the Centre for European Security Studies, Groningen (**CESS**), Holland this year was successful. In April a two-day workshop outlining the Good governance of security and defence sector, which is a part of the DEMCON-SEE project that successfully ended in Autumn of this year. The attendees positively accepted this seminar, like the two previous ones in the same project. Representatives from the Centre actively participated in many events under the ESCADA project held in cities of participating countries in the region. CSS also ensured the attendance of members of Parliament at these events.

Like in previous years the Centre has established good cooperation with the **OSCE Mission in BiH**. Representatives from the Mission regularly attended events organised by CSS, while a number of seminars organised under the direct support of the Mission in cooperation with other organisations.

From the beginning of this year the Centre took over certain activities in the area of SALW in BiH and the region. With this cooperation as established with **Saferworld UK** which works in the SEE region on SALW issues. Representative from the Centre participated in a few events organised by Saferworld which were held outside of BiH. Cooperation was strengthened with the organisation of a two-day seminar at the end of September in Sarajevo. The aim of this was establishing and strengthening the regional NGO network which deals with SALW issues and this network will help in dealing with these issues.

Cooperation continued with the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (**GCSP**), in addition to this cooperation was established with the Bonn International Centre for Conversion (**BICC**), The Centre for Security Policy, Szeged (Hungary), and other smaller Non government organisations.

On the regional plan there is a continuation of cooperation with the Institute for International Relations, Zagreb Croatia; Centre for civil-military relations and Centre for SEE Security studies, Belgrade Serbia, and many other non government organisations in the region.

On the Internal level it is important to emphasise the very successful cooperation of the Centre with government Institutions of BiH, especially with the legislative branch. Our activities focus on, additional education of parliamentary members (state and entity levels), establishing regional parliamentary cooperation and providing expert analysis for the needs of parliamentarians. We have also established good cooperation with academic and media institutions in BiH as well as international organisations in charge for implementing the Dayton Peace Agreement.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

During 2003 in accordance with limited financial resources, the Centre has published several publications, but at the same time was significantly represented in the media especially on the issue of reform of the Security Sector in BiH. Publications include:

- **“Economic aspects of Security”** – Publication from the seminar held in September 2002 organised by CSS BiH and the Office of the Personal Representative of the OSCE Chairman-in-Office for Articles II and IV, Annex 1B of the Dayton Peace Accord.
- **“Handbook of the democratic control of armed forces ”**, March 2003 written and published by the CSS BiH
- Translation and comments of the **“National security strategy of USA from September 2002”**, published by the CSS BiH.

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

The work of CSS in the field of security can be found in publications of international organisations. CSS has contributed to various publications in an attempt to provide a precise explanation of the current security situation in BiH. An overview of published works includes the following:

- **“Public Image of Security, Defence and the Military in Europe: The Case of Bosnia and Herzegovina”** – published in “The Public Image of Defence and the Military in Central and Eastern Europe”, DCAF and CCMR, Geneva/Belgrade, 2003.
- **“Country Report: Bosnia and Herzegovina”**, for “DCAF Yearbook ”.
- **“Matters of Defence Reform – The Case of Bosnia and Herzegovina”** and **“The Security Concept”**; contributed papers for “Security and Defence in SEE – ESCADA Report, 2003.” published by Centre for European Security Studies, Groningen, The Netherlands
- **“The Process of Reform of Civil-Military Relations, the Democratic Control of the Armed Forces and the Security Sector in South East Europe and the Impact of the Launch of the Counter-Terrorist Campaign: The National Perspectives - Bosnia and Herzegovina”** published in “THE EVOLUTION OF CIVIL-MILITARY RELATIONS IN SOUTH EAST EUROPE - Continuing Democratic Reform and Adapting to the Needs of Fighting Terrorism” published by: IIF- Vienna, DCAF – Geneva and ISIS – Sofia.
- **European Integration and the Balkans**, CSES and DCAF Belgrade 2002
- **Terrorism, Definitions, Typology and Control Strategies**, Kriminalisticke teme No. 1-2 Faculty of Criminal Justice Sarajevo 2003

## WWW

An overview of the activities of the Centre can be found at our web site as well as publications to date. From this year we have included an overview of security news in order to follow the daily occurrences in BiH. A recent interesting novelty on our website is the publishing of the draft and proposed laws from the security area which are in public debate, but also new legal Acts which have been enacted .

## PUBLIC ACTIVITIES

Members for the Centre during the last year actively participated in many events held in BiH as well as overseas which were organised by government and non-government organisations.

### **Seminar on The Military and Media - Confidence Building between Armed Forces and Civil Society, January 24/25, 2003, Skopje/Macedonia**

Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF)  
MEDIENHILFE Zurich

### **Roundtable “BiH and Terrorism, Role of the Media –from manipulation to truth”**

08.02. 2003, APEL Sarajevo

### **NATO School – Oberammergau, Presentation on: Bosnia and Herzegovina - Vision for the future**

Dr. Bisera Turković, Centre for Security Centre BiH  
9-11 February 2003

### **Round Table “Economics between theory and practice”**

Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Ministry of Finance BiH  
27.02.2003, Sarajevo

**The Role of NGOs in the Shaping of the Regional Security Policy —  
A Forum for Future Co-operation**

11-15 February 2003 Szeged, Hungary

**Elections in South Eastern Europe – Chance for new stability?**

Organized by the Centre for South Eastern European Studies and sponsored by Freedom House, with funding provided by U.S. Agency for International Development, and NATO, Belgrade, 28 February 2003

**UN – OSCE Conference on the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects  
in South eastern Europe,**

11-12 March 2003, Brdo pri Kranju, Slovenia

Round Table «**Protection of the environment and youth**»

TROKUT 66, eFM Radio, 13.03. 2003. Sarajevo

Centre for Security Policy, Szeged, Hungary

**The Security Challenges of The 21st Century – The Common Denominator: Euro Atlantic  
Integration,** 19-21 March 2003, Szeged, Hungary

Senior Workshop for Junior Leaders «**Economics between Theory and practice**»

Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, European Union in BiH

21-22. 03. 2003. Sarajevo

**ESCADA Report Launch Event**

**“Security and Defence in South-Eastern Europe”**

Organised by the Centre for European Security Studies, The Netherlands In co-operation with the Institute for Sociological, Political and Juridical Research, Macedonia,  
16-17 March 2003, Skopje, Macedonia

**The EFS Meeting on “Status quo and future prospects – Bosnia, Kosovo and Macedonia”**

Institute for International Politics

OIIP, 4 April 2003, Vienna, Austria

**Regional Conference for West Balkans**

**Perspectives in the Balkans: Presentation – “Security policy challenges in the Balkans”**

Ambassador Bisera Turkovic, Director of CSS Sarajevo

Sarajevo 3-4. April 2003

**4th INTERNATIONAL FORUM FOR STUDENTS**

**THE SECURITY CHALLENGES OF THE 21st CENTURY**

9-11 April 2003, Szeged, Hungary

**SAFERWORLD, SALW Methodology Meeting**

Ohrid, Macedonia, 10 - 11 April 2003

**NATO School – Oberammergau, NATO’s Security Co-operation Programme**

Dr. Semra Hale – CSS Associated Partner

28 April, 2003

Round Table “**Economy between theory and practice**”

Konrad Adenauer Stiftung

08.05.2003, Sarajevo

Seminar for young politicians and young officers from NATO program of education,

**“BiH in the Partnership for Peace Program, announced reforms of armed forces in BiH and the  
role of the standing committee for military matters BiH”**

14-16. 05. 2003. Sarajevo

Round Table «**Political system and voluntarism**»  
eFM Radio, 29.07. 2003. Sarajevo

**SEESAC** (South Eastern Europe Clearinghouse for the Control of Small Arms and Light Weapons) and **RACVIAC** (Regional Arms Control Verification and Implementation Assistance Centre),  
**Workshop: “Best practice in communication and awareness raising of specific arms control issues, using SALW as a model”**  
27-30 July 2003 Zagreb, Croatia,

Swiss Military Academy at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (**ETHZ**) and the Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (**DCAF**),  
**1st Summer School on Democratic Governance of Civil - Military Relations,**  
23-30 AUGUST, 2003, Lucerne, Switzerland

Round Table «**BiH towards Partnership for Peace – progress or obstruction**»  
9.09.2003. Sarajevo Alliance BiH

Seminar « **Building of Europe, enlarging today and tomorrow** »  
Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, EU in BiH  
27-28. 09. 2003. Sarajevo

**Democratic Oversight of External and Internal Security Policy and Provision**  
The Workshop organised by: The Centre for European Security Studies, The Netherlands,  
2-5 October 2003, Ohrid, Macedonia

**Seminar – Democratic Control of the Security Sector in South-East Europe**  
**“Regional Meeting of the DEMCON-SEE Programme”**  
13-16. November, Sofia, Bulgaria  
The Centre for European Security Studies, The Netherlands  
The Institute for Security and International Studies, Bulgaria

**Security Sector Reform and the Media**  
**Regional Conference on defence and the freedom of information**  
Belgrade, Serbia & Montenegro, November 14/15, 2003  
Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF) and the Swiss-based Medienhilfe together with its partner organizations in Serbia and Montenegro, the Centre for Civil-Military Relations CCMR and the Belgrade Media Centre.

**Independent TV Hayat, Sarajevo**  
**Informative-political Magazine “Korak”**  
“Reforms of the security Sector in BiH”  
Ambassador Dr. Bisera Turkovic, Centre for Security Studies BH  
20.11. 2003

**Radio Federation BiH, Sarajevo**  
**Reforms of the Security Sector in BiH”**  
Ambassador Dr. Bisera Turkovic, Centre for Security Studies BH  
04.12.2003

## **INTERNSHIP**

During 2003 four students from Security Studies, University of Sarajevo completed an internship in the Centre. There were also two postgraduate candidates from the Interdisciplinary postgraduate study Programme Sarajevo-Rome, who undertook a two-month internship in our Centre.