

# Permanent Mission of Montenegro to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva

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The Permanent Mission of Montenegro to the United Nations, and other international organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and has the honor to deliver answers to your note from 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2013 pursuant HRC res 15/8 – Security of Tenure.

The Permanent Mission of Montenegro to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights assurances of its highest considerations.

Seneva, 4th June 2013

Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

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### **Questionnaire on Security of Tenure**

#### The response to questions no. 1 to 5 and 9 to 10:

According to the Law on Social and Child Protection, protection of materially unsecured families have been implemented by exercising rights from social and child protection, such as: family welfare, personal disability, care and support of another person, accomodation in institution and accomodation in another family, assistance for education of children and youth with special needs, health care, funeral expenses, one-time financial assistance, equipment for newborn child, allowance, benefits based on the child's birth, compensation for salary of part-time work and rest and recreation for children.

This law does not provide housing issues, issues for those in the state of social need, but it is a matter within the jurisdiction of local governments, in accordance with their regulations.

## The response to questions no. 6, 7 and 8:

Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare and the Bureau for Refugees are in charge for the preparation of the Regional Housing programme for the most vulnerable displaced and internally displaced persons, as well as the definition of the programme at the national level, the number of future beneficiaries, the total value of the project, preparation and implementation plan.

Regional housing programme for Montenegro envisages provision of funds for housing of 6,063 people (1,177 households) who are considered the most vulnerable categories (persons accommodated in informal collective centers and vulnerable people in private accommodation, with special emphasis on the Konik camp).

The abovementioned program envisages:

- 1. The construction of 907 housing units;
- 2. The delivery of building materials for 120 housing units;
- 3. The construction of 60 prefabricated houses;
- 4. 90 units in the Home for elderly people, Pljevlja.
- -Total value of the project: 27.696 million euro;
- Contribution of the state: 15% i.e. 4.154 million euro;
- Funds needed: 23.542 million euro.

Regional housing project will be implemented in more than 13 municipalities: Berane, Andrijevica, Podgorica, Ulcinj, Nikšić, Budva, Rožaje, Plav, Herceg Novi, Bar, Danilovgrad, Tivat, Pljevlja and others. This programme will significantly contribute to the closure of the Konik

camp (the largest collective camp for displaced persons in Montenegro) and other collective centers for displaced and internally displaced persons.

**Pljevlja Municipality**, in order to fulfill the obligations under the National Housing Project, chose the location to build a Home for the elderly on the land of 448.00m<sup>2</sup>, on which the construction of a 517m<sup>2</sup> building is planned. The Secretariat for Spatial Planning of Pljevlja has produced urban requirements and completed the preliminary design.

**Nikšić Municipality** has allocated land for the construction of collective housing with supporting facilities for the implementation of the National housing project. Participation of Nikšić municipality in this project is 5.000,00 m<sup>2</sup> in the scope of the Detailed Urban Plan and the Master Plan, as well as fees for communal residential land.

**Berane Municipality,** under the National Housing Project location, has allocated the land by the current Master plan, on which it is possible to build housing units and issue urban-technical requirements.

Berane municipality is ready to utility equipment facility for these purposes. National housing programme was added as a subject for the next session of the local Parliament.

**Herceg Novi Municipality** has allocated 15.000m<sup>2</sup> of land for the National housing programme. **The Capital City Podgorica**, in accordance with the planned IPA project and in order to close the camp Konik, has made a decision to develop single plan for the A zone and part of the B zone in total area of approximately 130,000m<sup>2</sup>, in order to create the legal preconditions for rational and adequate urban solution, in accordance with the prescribed standards.

After the announcement by the Development Bank of the Council of Europe that, by the middle of January 2013, all the states must submit their projects, the Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare has taken all necessary measures to prepare the "Pilot Project-Nikšić" − construction of 62 residential units, which has been completed. Total value of this project is  $2.780.000.00 \, \text{€}$ . The grant fund is  $1.980.000.00 \, \text{€}$ , while the contribution of the state or the local contribution amounts  $600.000.00 \, \text{€}$ . PIU costs amount is  $200.000.00 \, \text{€}$ .

Assembly of Donors of the Regional Housing Programme Fund, on its meeting on 8 April 2013, has approved Montenegro's application for a grant in the amount of 198.000€ to finance subproject "Construction of two blocks of flats for 62 families in the municipality of Nikšić". The total value of the sub-project is estimated at 2,780,000 €.

Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare is the beneficiary of the IPA 2011 "The identification of durable solutions for internally displaced persons and residents of Konik camp - Phase I". The total cost of the project is 3 million euro, the EU contribution is 2,500,000€, while the contribution of the Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare is 500.000 €.

**Project description:** Providing permanent solutions for the residents of camp Konik. The integration process and the closure of two camps on Konik will extend for a period of about 5 years (2011-2015). IPA 2011 intervention will focus on the period of 2 years (from 2012 onwards). It will consist of two components:

- 1. Social housing development in Zone A in Konik.
- 2. Construction of multi-purpose center in zone A in Konik.

Prerequisite for the start of the implementation of the first component, i.e. construction of planned facilities, is the adoption of the Master Plan for the area of DUP "Konik – Vrela Ribnička 2" and amendments to the DUP "Konik-Vrela Ribnička 2". The Assembly of the Capital City has adopted the Capital Master Plan for the area of DUP "Konik-Vrela Ribnička 2" and the amendments of DUP "Konik-Vrela Ribnička 2" on 16th February 2012.

The Capital City will undertake an obligation related to the preparation of the obtained municipal area. The Assembly of the Capital City, on its session on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2012, has adopted:

- The decision on the participation of the Capital City of Podgorica in the construction of collective housing with amenities, for the purpose of solving housing problems of internally displaced persons and residents of Konik camp;
- The decision on amendments to the Master Plan for the Detailed urban plan "Konik-Vrela Ribnička II" in Podgorica;
- The decision on the Detailed urban plan "Konik-Vrela Ribnička II" in Podgorica.

The Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare has acquired Urban and technical conditions, upon which the tender for the main construction project is announced. The main construction project is completed; the review process is in progress. The obtainment of the building permit is the following activity, in order to create conditions for the beginning of construction, after obtaining financial resources provided by the IPA funds. We expect the construction to start in September 2013.