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Note Verbale

The Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany (“Embassy”) presents its compliments to the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals (“Mechanism”).

With reference to Case No. MICT-15-88-ES.1, *Prosecutor v. Dragoljub Kunarac*, the Embassy **recalls** the following:

- On 4 March 1998, Mr. Dragoljub Kunarac (“Kunarac”) surrendered to the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (“ICTY”) and was transferred to the United Nations Detention Unit in The Hague, Kingdom of the Netherlands.
- On 22 February 2001, Trial Chamber II of the ICTY convicted Kunarac of torture, rape, and enslavement as crimes against humanity, and torture and rape as violations of the laws or customs of war and sentenced him to 28 years of imprisonment.
- On 12 June 2002, the Appeals Chamber of the ICTY affirmed Kunarac’s convictions and sentence.
- On 12 December 2002, Kunarac was transferred to the Federal Republic of Germany to serve the remainder of his sentence.

The Embassy has the honour to **inform** the Mechanism that:

- On 24 February 2026, having served his sentence in full, Kunarac was released from custody.
- On the same day, Kunarac was deported to his home country Bosnia and Herzegovina, in accordance with German immigration law.

The Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Mechanism the assurances of its highest consideration.

The Hague, 13 March 2026

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