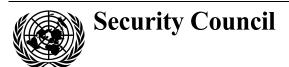
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I have the honour to enclose herewith the written statement of the delegation of the Republic of Serbia (see annex) in exercise of the right of reply to the remarks made by Adnan Terzić, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina, in the Security Council on 8 November 2006 (see S/PV.5563).

I should be most grateful if you could arrange to have the present letter and the annexed statement circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Pavle **Jevremović** Permanent Representative



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In line with its official policy, the Government of the Republic of Serbia has consistently supported all efforts towards stability, democracy and social and economic prosperity in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Serbia and Bosnia and Herzegovina are both committed to the European principles and values on the road to European Union accession, which include strengthening of regional cooperation among Western Balkan States. From that point of view, we perceive any progress made in Bosnia and Herzegovina towards Euro-Atlantic integration as a contribution to the overall security, stabilization and progress of the entire region.

Internal political considerations of Bosnia and Herzegovina should not negatively affect the development of our bilateral relations. We therefore consider that the positions contained in the statement of Adnan Terzić, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina, are baseless and that they do not reflect our common interests and efforts invested towards our common goals and the development of comprehensive and friendly neighbourly relations.

The Republic of Serbia will continue with its policy of cooperation and confidence-building in the region, with all its neighbours, including Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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