SRSG's decision in the case of Radovan Parlic (case no. 01/07)

After reviewing the Human Rights Advisory Panel (HRAP) opinion in the case of Radovan Parlic, Special Representative of the Secretary-General Lamberto Zannier informed HRAP on 16 August 2010 of the following:

- UNMIK finds the opinion of the Panel balanced and well-grounded. However, in relation to the Panel's recommendation that adequate compensation be awarded to the complainant, the Panel is aware that current United Nations General Assembly instructions on compensations do not permit the United Nations Organization or its missions to pay compensation other than for material damage or physical harm. UNMIK, thus, is not in position to pay any compensation as recommended by the Panel. UNMIK will, however, continue to address the issue at Headquarters in New York with the aim of drawing the attention of the General Assembly of the United Nations to the need for a thorough review of its compensation rules, which currently exclude payment of compensation for non-pecuniary damage.
- UNMIK will also, as recommended by the Panel, inform the complainant and the Panel about further developments in this matter.