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Subject: sixteen donor nations, joined through the NATO PfP Trust Fund, have decided to support the continuation of the Project for Assistance to Discharged Defence Personnel in the Republic of Serbia

Belgrade

Since June 2006, the International Organization for Migration in close cooperation with the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Serbia implements the NATO/Partnership for Peace project assisting discharged defence personnel to reintegrate into civilian life. The project has been financed by sixteen donor countries, under the lead by the Kingdom of Norway, through the NATO PfP Trust Fund Project.

Up to now, more than 3,870 ex officers, NCOs and other ex defence personnel received one-to-one counselling at the IOM regional offices in Belgrade, Novi Sad and Niš, as well as in the Kraljevo sub-office. In addition, more than 2,340 beneficiaries received the NTF grants for generating self-employment opportunities in existing or newly established businesses, job placement in existing companies or vocational training.

Building on the extremely good results achieved during the two years of implementation, sixteen donor countries contributing to the NATO/Partnership for Peace project have decided to support the continuation of the project.

In that view, His Excellency Mr Haakon Blankenborg, the Ambassador of the Kingdom of Norway to Serbia, and Mr Gregoire Goodstein, the IOM Chief of Mission to Serbia, will sign an Amendment to the Executive Agreement that will regulate continuation of the project for one year period.

The signing ceremony will take held on Monday, 15 December 2008 at 10:30, in the premises of the Norway Embassy (43 Užička Street, Belgrade).

We would highly appreciate your participation at this event.

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