



Kosova Women's Network

Serving, Protecting and Promoting the Rights of Women and Girls

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Mr. Soren Jessen Petersen
Special Representative
of the UN Secretary General in Kosovo
Prishtina

Dear Sir,

We learned about your initiative to establish a forum responsible for the negotiations on Kosova's final status. We support this initiative and we consider it as a very important step towards involving all key political actors in making decisions on a highly important issue for all of us.

The solution of Kosova's status is a vital issue for all Kosovars and will strongly affect the political, economical and social advancement of our country. Women, who comprise half of Kosovo's population, are interested and have the right to fully and actively participate in the negotiations process on the final status. Furthermore, women have always been and still are very important actors in all aspects of Kosova's efforts for freedom and independence, especially during the last fifteen years. Thus, women can and should bring their ideas, experience and their energy into this very important process of decision making for our common future. At the same time, the involvement of women in talks for the final solution for peace is a basic provision of the Resolution 1325 of the UN Security Council, which is applicable also in Kosova.

For all these reasons, the Kosova Women's Lobby requests that you and the political institutions that will decide on the principles and the concrete mechanisms for establishing the forum on the status talks, create opportunities for and ensure the equal and effective involvement of women within these structures.

We appreciate highly your continuous support for the initiatives of Kosovar civil society and we count on your energetic support for ensuring the equal participation of women in the critical process for deciding the final status of Kosova.

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Kosova Women's Lobby welcomes a meeting or a working dinner with you where we could further discuss the concrete steps for involving women in this process. Should you have any questions and to respond to our invitation, please, contact directly KWL's representative, Ms. Igballe Rogova, in the addresses provided at the top of this letter.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this letter.

Respectfully yours,

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