

Based on the article 121. Act 4. The Official Protocol of the City Council of Kragujevac (The Official Gazette of the city of Kragujevac), the Parliament of the city of Kragujevac at the assembly meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2010 has reached

## **The Conclusion Of Accepting the Initiative of the Association of the Peace Messenger Cities**

I The initiative of the International Association of the Peace Messenger Cities to ban the nuclear weapons has been accepted as a way of taking part of the city of Kragujevac in the activities of the Association of the Peace Messenger Cities, and also as a sign of the permanent standpoint of the city of Kragujevac towards the protection of peace and the tendency to limit the nuclear weapons as one of the biggest threats the peace in the world.

II This conclusion should be published in the ``Official Gazette of the City of Kragujevac``

The elaboration

The legal base for reaching this conclusion is contained in the parts of the article 121, act 4 of the Official Protocol of the City Council of Kragujevac ( the Official Gazette of the city of Kragujevac no.18/08) which determines that the City Council of Kragujevac by this conclusion decides about the procedural issues, about the acceptance of certain suggestions and similar.

As suggested by the General Assembly of the United Nations, and by the decision of the Secretary of the United Nations Peres De Cuielleuar in 1987, 47 cities from the whole world for establishing, development and affirmation of the anti-war and peaceful programs and contribution to the nurturing the culture of peace, tolerance and understanding among people and nations got an honorary name of the Peace Messenger Cities. This renowned title was given to Kragujevac too. The cities who bear the title of the Peace Messenger Cities decided to establish the International Association of the Peace Messenger Cities and Kragujevac has been its active member of the Executive Board for years. The International Association of the Peace Messenger Cities can if proposed by its members, respecting the historical significance and experiences and the peaceful programs and actions which are undertaken by different cities, accept new members. The Association now has 87 cities. The Association holds regular annual assemblies at which the peace programs and the activities of the members are discussed, marking important dates in history and starting the peaceful initiatives and suggestions. Thus at the Assembly of the Executive Board of the International Association of the Peace Messenger Cities held in January 2010 in Osvjenchin (Auschwitz) in Poland, on the occasion of the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the liberation of the Nazi concentration camp in this city, it called its city members of the Association to support at the local municipality level, and bearing in mind the article 6 of the Agreement of non-spreading of the nuclear weapons, *The Initiative for the Banning of the Nuclear Weapons*. The article 6 of this document, which was adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations in 1968 reads as follows: ``Each of the signing parties of the Agreement takes up the responsibility to negotiate in good faith about the effective measures concerning the stop in the nuclear weapons` race in the early period of the nuclear disarmament, and about the contract of the general and complete disarmament under

the strict and effective international control.`` The agreement of the non-spreading of the nuclear weapons was signed by the SFRY on July 10<sup>th</sup> 1968 and by the Republic of Serbia as its successor on September 5<sup>th</sup> 2001.

By *accepting* this Initiative the city of Kragujevac confirms its dedication to the idea of peace and the program and mission of the International Association of the Peace Messenger Cities and joins the current endeavours of the world leaders lead by presidents Obama and Medvedev to stop the threat of the nuclear weapons to be used for terrorist purposes.

The text The Initiative of the cities for the prohibition of the nuclear weapons in the Serbian language reads as follows:

By *recognizing* the fact that the city of Kragujevac is marked as the peace messenger city by the United Nations, by affirming its membership in the International Association of the Peace Messenger Cities, the city as its duty has among other things to support all the legally binding measures calling for the general prohibition of the nuclear weapons, thus contributing to liberation of the mankind from the threat of the destruction, war or terrorism,

By *understanding*, also, that enlargement of the nuclear weapons has become an obvious threat, and that there are countries who feel that they can provide the so called security and protection only by the production of the nuclear weapons as the countries which possess such weapons,

By *accepting* that the discussion about the Agreement of non-spreading of the nuclear weapons held in the United Nations on May 4<sup>th</sup> 2010, can provide the possibility for the countries who possess nuclear weapons to be finally brought to take up the responsibility from Article 6, and start the complete destruction of the nuclear weapons, and thus liberate the world from this threat which is widely known,

The City Council of the city of Kragujevac in this way publicly invites the Government of the Republic of Serbia to actively support and lobby for all the measures written in the Agreement of non-spreading the nuclear weapons from the UN conference, plead for the complete prohibition of the nuclear weapons right now,

Ordering for the text of this act to be sent to the Ministry of the Foreign Affairs of the Government of the Republic of Serbia, the General Secretary of the United Nations and the national media, and to the initiator- The International Association of the Peace Messenger Cities.

Making these conclusions have no obligation on the payment of the assets from the budget of the City.

The Assembly of the city Council of Kragujevac

Number 020-73/10-I

Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2010

Kragujevac

The President,

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