

Early Elections to elect Mayors/City Mayors in nine municipalities in BiH "under the magnifying glass" of the Coalition's "Pod lupom" observers



For the Early Elections to elect Mayors/ City mayors in nine municipalities/cities in BiH, held on February 17, 2019., the Coalition "Pod lupom" engaged 173 civic, nonpartisan observers. Of these, 143 were deployed at regular polling stations, 14 were deployed in 7 mobile teams, 9 were deployed in local election commissions whilst 5 of them were engaged as long-term observers (LTOs). The Coalition's mission during early elections was to prevent possible abuse and frauds, to ensure compliance with the Election Law of BiH and electoral rules, and to protect voters' votes.

Evaluation of 2019 Early Elections.

Election Day in most of the polling stations was implemented in accordance with the BiH Election Law but with few irregularities and procedural failures in the work of Polling Station Committees. However, it is worrisome that certain irregularities are continuously repeating during every BiH elections while any serious reaction by the legislature, investigative bodies or electoral administration at the highest level is constantly missing. Until 09:00 p.m., the

Coalition "Pod lupom" did not record any incidents at polling stations. The Coalition received four calls from citizens. Some of them referred to cases in which voters, upon arriving at the polling stations, recognized that their signature was already in the Central Voters' Register, even though they did not vote earlier.

Final Report on civic, nonpartisan observation of 2018 General Election finished

The Coalition "Pod lupom" finished the final report on civic, nonpartisan observation of the 2018 General Elections. The coalition observed pre-election, election and post-election period in BiH from its Head Office located in Sarajevo and from seven regional offices located throughout BiH.

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63 LTOs that were deployed in the field observed the work and sessions of all municipal/city election commissions in BiH, activities envisaged in their election calendar and compliance with deadlines and electoral irregularities. 42 observers observed the election campaign and 3,442 observers observed the election process at regular polling stations in 143 local election commissions, in 60 mobile teams, and 80 persons at Data Processing Call Center. Observers' findings constitute the backbone of the Coalition's reporting. The final report will be presented at the Central Conference of the Coalition to be organized on April 24, 2019., in Sarajevo.

2018 Impact Report developed.



After finishing all its activities planned in 2018, the Coalition "Pod lupom" developed a short Infographic Impact Report in order

to inform the public on its activities implemented during the previous year.

Ongoing preparations to organize the Central Conference of the Coalition "Pod lupom"

Conference "The Future of BiH's Elections: How to Achieve International Standards and Prevent Election Frauds?", will take place on April 24, 2019, starting at 11:00 a.m., in hotel Holliday in Sarajevo. The conference will gather relevant representatives of legislative institutions at all levels in BiH, representatives of the Central Election Commission of BiH and local election administrations, representatives of the international community, representatives of the academic community, media and civil society. The conclusions of the conference should serve the legislators while making changes/amendments to election legislation in BiH.

The Coalition "Pod lupom" at the international observation mission in Ukraine

Members of the Coalition "Pod lupom" participated in the international monitoring mission of ENEMO (European Network of Election Monitoring Organizations) to observe the 2019

Presidential Elections in Ukraine.



Monitoring the sessions of the BiH Central Election Commission (BiH CEC)

The Coalition "Pod lupom" continued to monitor the work of the BiH CEC also in 2019. We would like to remind you that in the period before the Coalition was established, BiH CEC's meetings were not attended by civic, nonpartisan observers.



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