



**Republic of Serbia  
Supreme Court of Cassation**

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**Belgrade**

**WORLD BANK  
Country Manager, Belgrade  
Mr. Stephen Ndegwa**

Dear Mr. Ndegwa,

Supreme Court of Cassation has been among the beneficiaries of the support provided through Multi-Donor Trust Fund for Justice Sector Support in the Republic of Serbia (MDTF-JSS) since 2015.

We highly appreciate assistance that enabled Supreme Court of Cassation to make steps forward in achievement of its goals. Namely, it is important to emphasize that flexible mechanism of cooperation provided through MDTF-JSS has been of major importance for implementation of the backlog reduction programme and for the achievement of priorities set within the framework of the case-law harmonization.

Namely, since 2015 MDTF-JSS has been providing continuous support regarding process of case law harmonization. Improvement in this area has been recognized even by the European Court of Human Right. In order to achieve sustainability of these activities further support is needed.


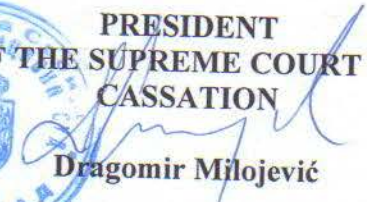
Moreover SCC performance management has been significantly improved thanks to MDTF- JSS support. However in order to roll-out performance standards across judiciary further continuation of assistance is needed.

Also in the process of amending of the SCC Unified backlog reduction program SCC has been supported through MDTF JSS and bearing in mind that this program covers different activities and goals set until 2020 further support in achievement of these goals would be valuable.

At the same time all these activities and results will have impact on reforms in justice sector and ongoing process of the implementation of the Action Plan for Chapter 23.

For all these reasons we strongly hope that the MDTF-JSS assistance would extend beyond 2018 thus reinforcing the reform process and further improvements in the performance of the SCC and judicial sector as a whole.

Yours sincerely,

**PRESIDENT  
OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
CASSATION**  
  
**Dragomir Milojević**