

## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION** NEIGHBOURHOOD AND ENLARGEMENT NEGOTIATIONS

The Deputy Director-General

Brussels,

Dear Mr Radonic.

I refer to your letter of 11 February indicating your interest to provide premises for the Secretariat of the Integrative Internal Security Governance (IISG) in Sarajevo.

Considering that the Regional Cooperation Council (RCC) will be hosting the IISG mechanism as of April 2020, I welcome your proposal which will ensure that the future secretariat will be able to rely on the support and expertise of the RCC to successfully fulfil its mandate. In addition, as you rightly pointed out, Sarajevo is already the location of a number of securityrelated focal points and projects, such as the EU Adviser on Counter-terrorism. This organisational set-up will thus enable an appropriate basis for a fruitful start of the new mandate of the IISG.

As you know, the European Commission is dedicated to ensure that the Western Balkans region is best equipped to address security challenges and considers the IISG as a crucial enabling tool to achieve our common objectives. I would like to thank you for your generous offer and your overall support to the IISG.

I would like to invite you to liaise with the RCC to specify the details of the hosting arrangements.

Yours sincerely,

Minister Fahrudin Radoncic Ministry of Security - Bosnia and Herzegovina