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ICR PIETER FEITH STATEMENT ON THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE DISAPPEARED

ICR/EUSR Pieter Feith said:

“Today, as the world commemorates the International Day of the Disappeared, our thoughts are with the beloved ones of missing persons. The day is a reminder that there are close to 1500 people still missing in Kosovo who disappeared as a result of the armed conflict.

“I pay tribute to all the international, national and local organizations who strive to establish the fate of missing persons in Kosovo. Finding out the fate of missing persons is an effort that could not be carried out without the work of many relatives of victims, non-governmental organizations, international and national organizations who untiringly work to know the fate or whereabouts of the missing.

“All necessary means should be adopted to address the legal and social as well as emotional uncertainties of families of missing persons. I therefore urge the legislature to adopt a law on missing persons to strengthen the support to family members and their efforts to rebuild their lives and communities.”

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