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Amnesty International takes Croatia war crimes concerns to Brussels

An Amnesty International delegation will travel to Brussels on 31 January to present the organization's report <u>Behind a wall of silence: Prosecution of war crimes in Croatia</u>, to European Union (EU) officials.

The report, published in December 2010, highlights the failings of Croatia's justice system which have allowed allegations including against some high profile military and political officials to go uninvestigated.

On 1-2 February the Amnesty International delegates will meet the EU officials directly involved in Croatia's EU accession negotiations, They will also meet EU Member State representatives and Members of the European Parliament.

Amnesty International's delegation will urge EU officials to continue insisting that Croatian authorities prosecute all war crimes committed during the 1991-5 war, including those where high-profile officials were allegedly responsible. The delegation will also press for access to reparation for victims of those crimes and their families.

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