Date: 15 May 2014

URGENT ACTION

EVICTION HALTED AND RESETTLEMENT PROMISED

The families living in the Zvjerinjak settlement in Nikšić, the second largest city of Montenegro, will be resettled to social housing units.

Shortly before the forced eviction of the seven households was due to be carried out, the Municipality of Nikšić notified the owner of the land on which the settlement is located, that it will take up the responsibility to provide an alternative housing solution to the families by 1 February 2015. The landowner has agreed to this deadline.

Amnesty International has seen the written commitment made by the vice-president of the Municipality of Nikšić to the landowner, and an outline of the plan for the construction of social housing for the affected families. Amnesty International, jointly with its local partner NGO, will continue to monitor this case and engage with the international donors to ensure that the authorities' commitment is implemented in accordance with international standards.

No further action is requested from the UA network at this time. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.

This is the first update of UA 116/14. For further information see: http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/info/EUR66/003/2014/en

Name: 34 people (of which 20 children)

Gender m/f: both



