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Amnesty International Secretary General visits Croatia

Media advisory: Irene Khan, Amnesty International's Secretary General will visit Croatia from 8-11 April 2008.

In a series of meetings with the authorities, including with President Stjepan Mesic and the Chief State Attorney Mladen Bajic, Irene Khan will call for impunity for war crimes committed in the 1991-95 war to be addressed as a priority.

The head of the human rights organization will also meet victims of the conflict, representatives of civil society and international organizations.

Following her visit to Croatia, Irene Khan will travel to Brussels on 15 April where she will meet European Union (EU) officials, including Olli Rehn, Commissioner for Enlargement and Javier Solana, High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy and Secretary General of the Council of the EU. Irene Khan will urge them to use their influence in the context of the accession of Croatia to the EU to ensure that the Croatian authorities establish and implement a clear strategy that addresses impunity for war crimes.

Throughout her visit to Croatia and in Brussels Irene Khan will be available for interviews.

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