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ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTION NO. 2002/2

**IMPLEMENTING UNMIK REGULATION NO. 2000/11
ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND SCIENCE**

The Special Representative of the Secretary-General,

Pursuant to the authority given to him under section 5 of UNMIK Regulation No. 2000/11 of 3 March 2000 on the Establishment of the Administrative Department of Education and Science,

Taking into account that, in accordance with UNMIK Administrative Direction No. 2001/14 of 4 October 2001 implementing UNMIK Regulation No. 2001/19 on the Executive Branch of the Provisional Institutions of Self-Government in Kosovo, functions and responsibilities of the Administrative Department of Education and Science are to be performed by the UNMIK Transitional Department of Education, Science and Technology, pending the establishment of the governmental authority responsible for higher education in Kosovo pursuant to UNMIK Regulation No. 2001/9 of 15 May 2001 on a Constitutional Framework for Provisional Self-Government in Kosovo and UNMIK Regulation No. 2001/19,

In conformity with chapters 4.4 (b) and (j), 4.6 and 8.1 (a) of UNMIK Regulation No. 2001/9,

Having regard to the necessity to ensure equal opportunities in respect of, and access to, higher education for students in Kosovo seeking instruction in a Slavic language, and, to this end,

For the purpose of provisionally establishing a higher education facility providing instruction in Slavic languages pending preparation of a regulatory framework for and structuring of higher education system in Kosovo,

Hereby issues the following Administrative Direction:

Section 1
Facility for Higher Education in Slavic Languages

1.1 There shall be provisionally established a higher education facility providing instruction in Slavic languages to be known as the "North Kosovo University" (hereinafter the "NKU").

1.2 The NKU shall have the status of an autonomous component within the Kosovo Higher Education System. Accordingly, the NKU shall function under the authority of the UNMIK Transitional Department of Education, Science and Technology or its successor governmental authority responsible for higher education in Kosovo within the Executive Branch of the Provisional Institutions of Self-Government to be established pursuant to UNMIK Regulations Nos. 2001/9 and 2001/19 (hereinafter the "Department or its successor"). The authority of the Department or its successor in respect of the NKU shall be without prejudice to the powers and responsibilities of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General under chapter 8.1 (a) of UNMIK Regulation No. 2001/9.

Section 2 General Provisions

2.1 The NKU shall be given a provisional accreditation by the Department or its successor for the current academic year to remain effective until 31 August 2002. The accreditation may be extended for further terms.

2.2 The NKU shall be managed and governed by a Rector who shall be appointed by and shall be accountable to the Department or its successor.

2.3 The NKU shall have a Secretary as its senior executive officer and chief administrator. The Secretary shall be nominated by the NKU Rector.

2.4 Each faculty of the NKU shall elect a Dean who shall manage and govern the faculty concerned.

2.5 The NKU shall have a Senate as its collegial governing body. The Senate shall be comprised of:

- (a) The Rector;
- (b) The Deans;
- (c) The Secretary;
- (d) One representative of students who shall be elected by and from among the students of NKU; and
- (e) One representative of the non-academic staff who shall be elected by and from among such staff of the NKU.

2.6 The Rector, the Secretary, the Deans, and the Senate shall be, respectively, appointed, nominated or elected *ad interim*.

2.7 The Department or its successor shall issue administrative instructions needed for regulating matters related to the management, staffing, organizing and any other relevant aspects of functioning of the NKU, in accordance with the applicable law.

Section 3
Statute

3.1 The arrangements for governance and management of the NKU shall be set out in a provisional Statute which shall be subject to approval by the Department or its successor and which may be amended in accordance with its provisions with the approval of the Department or its successor.

3.2 The NKU Rector and Deans shall jointly present to the Department for approval a document which shall contain a provisional Statute of the NKU reflecting the agreed principles and encompassing *inter alia*:

- (a) The basic rules for academic degrees to be obtained from the NKU;
- (b) The basic rules for admission rules and figures for the Summer Term 2002;
- (c) The basic rules for internal procedures of decision making in all academic questions; and
- (d) Listing of the responsibilities, duties and rights of the Rector, the Secretary, the Deans and the Senate.

Section 4
Financing and Property

4.1 Financing of expenditures for the functioning of the NKU shall be provided from the resources allocated for the Department or its successor under the relevant budget line of the Kosovo Consolidated Budget.

4.2 The NKU shall have the right of use for educational purposes of public and socially owned land and buildings which may be allocated to it by UNMIK.

Section 5
Entry into Force

The present administrative direction shall enter into force on 14 February 2002.

Michael Steiner
Special Representative of the Secretary-General