

Coalition for an Independent and Transparent Judiciary Comments about Meeting between Georgia's Prime Minister Bidzina Ivanishvili and Chairman of Supreme Court Konstantine Kublashvili

The Coalition for an Independent and Transparent Judiciary comments on a meeting between Georgia's Prime Minister Bidzina Ivanishvili and Chairman of Supreme Court Konstantine Kublashvili. We positively assess the fact of the conduct of this meeting and view it as a step forward in the formation of independent and efficient system of justice in Georgia.

We believe that such meeting was a badly needed and necessary step for a legal reform to be implemented in the country in a peaceful manner. We also think that for an efficient development of the reform this process must also involve courts to a maximum extent. We believe that the reformation of court system must not be conducted in a conflicting environment and without the involvement of interested parties because the key interest of society is the development of impartial, efficient and transparent system of justice.

The Coalition for an Independent and Transparent Judiciary talked about the need for constructive cooperation earlier too. We welcome statements of both sides about the significance of the court reform, also the fact that both sides achieved agreement on a great number of issues which is also a significant signal for the Venice Commission which is expected to provide society shortly with its recommendations concerning the draft law prepared by the Justice Ministry for the reformation of courts.

We believe that today the parties acted in the interests of society and the country. It is important for this process to continue in future too. The Coalition for an Independent and Transparent Judiciary expresses its hope that it will get actively involved in all those initiatives and processes which will be conducive to the formation of independent and transparent court system and the establishment of the rule of law in the country.

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