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**Members of the first Canada-Bosnia and Herzegovina Parliamentary Friendship Group
Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Canada
Bosnian Community in Canada led by Congress of North American Bosniaks, Canadian
Branch**

This letter is to thank to honourable Members of the first Canada-Bosnia and Herzegovina Parliamentary Friendship Group for your expressed willingness and very important activities regarding the foundation of the Canada-Bosnia and Herzegovina Friendship Group in Canadian Parliament.

The Canada-Bosnia and Herzegovina Friendship Group will help to direct attention to the needs of all citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Canadian Bosnians, and specially to foster and improve the relations between Bosnia and Herzegovina and Canada.

I am honoured that Canada was one of the first nations to recognize the newly independent Bosnia and Herzegovina. I am convinced that the Canada-Bosnia and Herzegovina Friendship Group will work to democratic orientation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and strongly support the further strengthening of Bosnian government and peoples and their respect for human rights, rule of law, and free market economics, and reaffirm Canadian support for Bosnia's progress towards Euro-Atlantic integration.

International and specially Canadian support for continued improvements to protect the rights of all citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina is still needed. Bipartisan support of the Canada-Bosnia and Herzegovina Friendship Group will be integral to achieving these goals. I am convinced that the Canada-Bosnia and Herzegovina Friendship Group will work on remembering Bosnian long history of multi-ethnic, cultural and religious tolerance.

I once again congratulate the members of the Canada-Bosnia and Herzegovina Friendship Group.

I also congratulate Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Canada and the Bosnian Community in Canada led by Congress of North American Bosniaks, Canadian Branch for this historical act for better relationship between Canada and Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Sincerely Yours,

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