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PRESIDENT OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA

**To H.E. Prof. Dr. Gerhart Holzinger,
the President of the Conference of
European Constitutional Courts,
the President of the Austrian Constitutional Court,
to the Members of the Conference**

*Honourable President of the Conference of the European Constitutional Courts,
Honourable Members of the Conference,*

These days, we are getting ready for the Meeting of the Circle of Presidents and preparation of the Jubilee Conference of European Constitutional Courts with great expectations, emphasizing the undeniable achievements of guaranteeing human rights through constitutional justice in Europe. However, an unprecedented incident was recorded in the European legal domain, which is not only an anachronism in the context of the same European legal values, but also a very dangerous precedent in the sense of pleasing law to the policy and a gross violation of the rule of law.

The fact is that Ramil Safarov, who hacked the Armenian officer to death with an axe in his sleep during a NATO-sponsored training program in Hungary on the grounds of national enmity and in 2006 sentenced to life imprisonment by the Hungarian justice, on August 31, 2012 was extradited to Azerbaijan by the Government of Hungary, where he was not only released immediately, but also the unprecedented process of glorification of murderer started at the state level.

Absolutely not following the aim of addressing this sacrilege from legal, political or even moral perspectives, circumventing Regulations of the Conference, we would just like to draw attention of the Conference Members to this fact, which is incompatible with the European legal and socio-cultural values and can not be left without adequate reaction.


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