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To Whom It May Concern

It is with pleasure that we recommend the project "New School Vukovar", which we hope would positively add to the growing atmosphere of tolerance and understanding of children and the wider society in Vukovar. At the same time the project will allow parents to freely choose the appropriate and wished for education for their children.

Already in its initial phases the project resulted in an increased dialogue between different stakeholders of education including members of the majority and minority population. Given that in Vukovar County every fifth inhabitant is a member of a minority, this is an important and necessary factor.

At the same time the "New School Vukovar" compliments the work of the OSCE Mission in this area, to increase the integration and the atmosphere of tolerance between all parts of the population thus turning to a prosperous future. And for this the work with children from its very beginning is highly important.

We therefore would hope that the New School and its curriculum will widely find support by respective institutions, individuals and donors and thus will turn out to be as soon as possible implemented in practise, providing an additional and alternative system of education in Vukovar and serving as a model for other post-conflict areas.

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