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Embassy of the Republic of Slovakia, Parkweg 1 The Hague

Dear Sirs,

This evening our foundation, the European Committee Hungarians Human Rights Central Europe (Amsterdam) and its supporters have gathered in front of your Embassy, the Embassy of the Republic of Slovakia. In fact, all those people that are committed to the cause of and the respect for civil and human rights in the European Union have no other choice than to protest in front of your Embassy. Our protest is a silent protest taking stance against the fact that your government is encouraging the use of violence to silence people that speak Hungarian in the streets of the cities in your country. We are convinced that the behaviour of your government led by Robert Fico alone is responsible for the fact that your country is not able to guarantee the security of its non-Slovak citizens, whatever ethnic racial or religious background they have, as normal European law states would do. The claim that victims of nationalist violence like Mrs. Hedvig Malina should have pretended their own beating up in order to discredit the Slovak state is something only insane and paranoid people can come up with. People that are insecure about their own identity and convinced of the fact that evil and dark powers are in the interest of the well-being of ordinary people. Well in Slovakia today the highest state authorities think that Mrs. Malina acted to discredit your country.

Please note that in fact your country introduced an element into the EU, which the EU does not acknowledge in its law system, namely the concept of “collective guilt”. The so-called Beneš -decrees formulated at the end of the war did assign the Hungarians collective guilt for the outbreak of World War II. Instead of getting rid of the Beneš decrees as something false, fuelling hateful revenge and blocking the peaceful cooperation between the nationalities in your country your parliament recently voted to reinforce the Beneš decrees. The only reason for this is that your authorities will be provided an opportunity
to suppress people of Hungarian stock and to fuel the hate against the Hungarians in your country. But there is more in your country that does not fit the norms and values in the European Union, namely the rehabilitation of war criminals like Tiso and Hlinka that sold your Jews to the Nazi’s in World War II. After these shameful acts the Jews were exterminated in dead camps like Auschwitz.

So we must ask you to stop these immoral practices and start to behave like a country committed to the European law state. Please also stop the indoctrination of the Slovak people with the false and unscientific theory of Great Moravia. The only reason your government is advocating this unscientific theory is because you want to treat your non-Slav minorities as being inferior to the Slovak “Herrenvolk”.

Dear Sirs, there is a lot at stake. In the first place the internal peace and stability within your own country but also European peace and stability. You have to understand that if you cannot guarantee the security and personal integrity of the citizens of Slovakia and your authorities behave as if they are not committed to the universal human rights the Great Powers of the EU – Germany, France, Great Britain and Poland – can no longer support your country morally. This will have consequences for your position in the EU. In fact we have to turn to and we will turn to the European Union’s Great Powers and the USA, Russia and China and the UN to support a policy of installing United Nations peacekeepers in the southern part of your country, in the area where the Hungarians live, in order to secure peace and human rights for the people whatever their ethnic, racial and religious background is.

Yours sincerely,

On behalf of the European Committee Hungarians Human Rights Central Europe (Amsterdam)

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