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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Dević,

Thank you for an insightful meeting, in which you have informed us of your present situation and the problems you have encountered related to the privatisation of ATP Vojvodina and on your efforts for protecting your rights.

The Delegation of the European Union is closely following the progress in the accession process of Serbia to the European Union, and in particular with respect to the rule of law and protection of human rights. As a result, the official documents of the European Commission, like the 2019 Annual Report on Serbia (of 29 May), provide an assessment on the situation in the rule of law area and functioning of the judiciary.

In reply to your specific request, let me recall that the Delegation of the European Union does not have a mandate or authority to intervene in individual cases. However I understand that you are considering the possibility of bringing your case to the European Court for Human Rights. This is the key institution for protection of the rights of the citizens not only in the EU Member States, but also in Serbia. The case-law developed in this Court is setting the standards in the area of fundamentals rights and which are also considered binding. It is therefore the highest relevant authority to turn to in your specific case.

I take this opportunity to thank you for providing us with the information that will also be useful for us in the context of monitoring and assessing the realities in Serbia in the context of the fundamental areas of rule of law and respect of human rights in Serbia.

Best regards,

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