

Table 2. List of Short-term, Mid-term and Long-term Recommendations

Actions	To overcome delays in reviewing and discussing the reports, opinions and recommendations of independent bodies by the Parliament:	To overcome delays of executive institutions in adopting and implementing the Parliament's conclusions and the independent bodies' recommendations:	To overcome the lack of monitoring and evaluation of implementation of the Parliament's conclusions submitted to the Government for implementation:	To raise the awareness and respect of MPs and state officials toward the independent bodies and eliminate the inappropriate attitude:
SHORT-TERM	<p>- Regulate the cooperation of independent bodies and the Parliament more precisely (determine more specifically the rules of procedure and which of the Parliament's committees are in charge of cooperation with particular independent bodies)</p>	<p>->Proactively use the Parliament's existing mechanisms of control (parliamentary questions, conclusions of the committees and the public hearings on important issues), and further improve them (by extending the time for parliamentary questions; organising additional public hearings; making the work of all inquiry committees public, and obliging the Ministers to attend the sessions of committees.)</p> <p>-> Reinforce sanctions available to the Commissioner for Information and Data Protection by introducing the right of the Commissioner to impose conclusions on carrying out enforced collection (performed by the National Bank), and by increasing fines for breaching the law (from RSD 20,000-180,000 to RSD 1-5 million) so that they considerably affect the budget of the institution at hand</p>	<p>-> Formally oblige the Government and other state institutions to submit trimestral reports to the Parliament on the implementation of the Parliament's conclusions and independent bodies' recommendations</p>	<p>-> Encourage the Parliament's support service and working bodies to put more efforts into clarifying and explaining to the MPs the position and role of independent bodies, particularly the process of discussion of their reports in the Parliament.</p> <p>-> Strongly encourage active use of the discretionary right to sanction inappropriate behaviour of MPs and state officials toward the representatives of independent bodies</p>
MID-TERM	<p>-> Strengthen the position of MPs, their independence from political parties, and their accountability to voters through the Constitutional revision of the political and electoral systems</p>	<p>-> Strengthen the position of independent bodies by formally defining their status through constitutional revision.</p> <p>-> Reinforce the sanctions for failure to fulfil obligations envisaged by law and for obstructing the process of oversight and control.</p> <p>-> Support the CSOs to allow them to actively monitor the implementation of recommendations of independent bodies and the Parliament's conclusions, and pressure the executive institutions to fulfil their obligations</p>	<p>-> Develop a comprehensive and efficient mechanism for monitoring and evaluation of implementation of the Parliament's conclusions and independent bodies' recommendations directed to the executive (to include both continuous monitoring of implementation of the Parliament's conclusions by the executive and regular reports from within the Parliament.)</p>	<p>-> Evaluate the effects of study visits and other educational programmes that have already been implemented, and create new educational programmes and twinning projects to raise the awareness among the MPs and educate particular groups influencing the wider public (such as journalists specialised in covering the work of institutions.)</p>
LONG-TERM	<p>-> Strengthen the position and authority of the Parliament and independent bodies, as well as the responsiveness and accountability of both the Parliament and the executive institutions through development of favourable political culture among the political elite and the society in general</p>		<p>-> Reinforce the balance of power between the executive and legislative branches through constitutional reform, and develop the practice of responsiveness and accountability of state institutions</p>	<p>-> Foster an overall favourable political culture in the state and society</p>