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Attention: Mr. Tedi Malaveci
President of the National Chamber of
Private Enforcement Agents of the
Republic of Albania

Paris, 24 November 2022

Honored Prime Minister, Minister of Justice and President
of National Chamber of Private Enforcement agents!

Being the representative of UIHJ (International Union of
Judicial Officers) an organization with 100-member
associations from over 90 countries, which is actually in
terms of member countries one of the biggest associations
of legal professionals in the world, we consider any
concern that arises from UIHJ member countries. For a
number of years already, the Albanian Chamber of Private
Enforcement Agents is a respected member of our
organization.

We are writing to Albanian officials, on a special day, on
the 70-th anniversary of the creation of this important
organization that represents all enforcement agents in the
world, including those of Albania.

We are truly concerned about the work of private
enforcement agents in Albania. The President of the
Albanian Chamber, Mr. Tedi Malaveci whom we have the
opportunity to thank for the excellent cooperation of
many years and wish him success for his re-election, at the
head of the Chamber for another 4 years mandate, has
given us a clear overview on the state of this profession
there.

We strongly support the Albanian Chamber and ask for the same commitment from your side.

We have always been following closely the developments related to the profession of enforcement agents in Albania, as well as the approval of the new law, which entered into force on July 2019.

We have been informed that for more than 3 years now, the bylaws enabling the exercise of secondary activities by enforcement agents have still not been approved. It is difficult to understand this delay, although the new law approved by the Albanian Parliament forced the Ministry of Justice to issue the necessary acts for the exercise of these activities within 6 months. We understand that this has caused several issues impacting directly the maintenance of the activity of the Albanian enforcement agents, especially considering the fact that the two years of the world pandemic have caused an additional problem in their work taking into consideration the fact that they suffered from Governmental measures in the field of enforcement.

Very much to our regret, as the Chamber informed us, so far, there are efforts to reduce enforcement service fees that were set in 2008 by an EU mission (Euralius), changed in June 2017 (current fees in force), which we have supported with our experts and, that instead of being supported by governmental policy, are submitted under constant attack, both judicially and administratively.

We strongly support the Albanian Chamber and we do not want the Albanian enforcement agents to be placed in a position to not be able to exercise their profession from an economic point of view.

The social and economic developments following the COVID-19 crisis have induced many countries a different approach to enforcement systems, debt collection and the profession of enforcement agent. To do this, instruments such as the secondary activities (e.g., amicable debt collection), but also fees, should be favored, supported by the government, and not submitted to a continuous attack.

Their attack in Albania is considered an attack on one of the important members of the UIHJ.

UIHJ, with all the support it has on an international level, wants to praise Albania and its government, for the help it gives to the Albanian Chamber of Private Enforcement Agents, and not the other way around, since we are all aware of Albania's aspiration to soon enter the European Union through negotiations.

The European Union and UIHJ as one of the biggest associations of legal professionals in the world that pays special attention to the judicial services, have a clear stand regarding the criteria a country must fulfill in order to fully enable the execution of court decisions, as also the

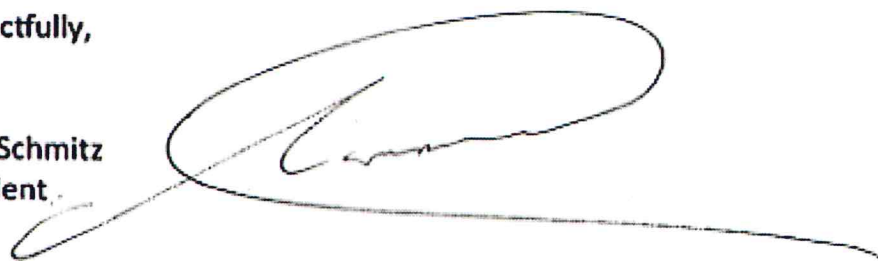
respect a country must show for the officials who make this service possible, the enforcement agents.

In this case, we kindly ask you to please take immediate measures to help and respect the private enforcement service in Albania.

We will soon be in Tirana for a working visit, on the occasion of which we ask you to exchange and cooperate for the future that both sides want Rule of Law.

Respectfully,

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President



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