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Mr. Denis Prcic
Chairman of the Board
American University in Bosnia
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75000, Tuzla Bosnia and Herzegovina

Dear Mr. Prcic,

As a founder and co-chair of the Congressional Caucus for Bosnia, I am writing to express my support for, and encouragement to, the American University in Bosnia and Herzegovina. It is my understanding that the American University in Bosnia and Herzegovina is a well-recognized and reputable higher educational institution in your country, and I commend you for this reputation. I was very pleased to learn that the university offers specialized study departments, degrees and programs which are recognized in both the United States and the European Union.

I deeply respect the American University in Bosnia and Herzegovina as an institution where communication takes place between U.S. and Bosnian scholars. This type of academic discussion and collaboration is an integral part of not only your country's development, but of further advancing the relationship between our two countries.

As you may be aware, I have encouraged a local university in my district, Washington University in St. Louis, to consider your request for coordination between the two schools. I wish you every success in further development of the American University in Bosnia and Herzegovina, and I look forward to working with you in advancing the U.S. – Bosnian relationship through educational opportunities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Russ Carnahan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Russ Carnahan
Member of Congress