

EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION OF JUDGES

STATEMENT

on the situation of the judiciary

in Poland

The EAJ expresses its concern regarding the situation at the Constitutional Tribunal in Poland, where four judges are unable to commence their roles as judges sitting in that tribunal as a result of an intervention by the President of Poland and the President of the Constitutional Tribunal.

In light of the interim measure issued by the ECtHR, we urge the Polish authorities to fully comply with this ruling so that this situation can be resolved. We also call for cooperation and support in this respect from all international bodies responsible for upholding standards of judicial independence.

In addition the EAJ hopes that the newly formed National Council of the Judiciary, in which more than half of the members are once again judges elected by the Parliament in conjunction with their peers, will make efforts to resume cooperation within the European Network of Councils for the Judiciary.

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