

Five years of crime of silence

More of five years have passed since the assassination of the first post October Serbian Prime Minister Dr. Zoran Djindjic. After these five years, five years of crime of silence, it is our duty to remind on March 12, 2003, on life and death of Zoran Djindjic, as well as on political situation in Serbia after his assassination.

Act of Zoran Djindjic appeared in the moment of big milestone, in the time when the fall of the communist totalitarianism provided hope for the moral and cultural rebirth, for the creating new society, new democratic Serbia. But, instead of the communist totalitarianism, national totalitarianism appeared. Instead of progress we have experienced a degradation of all humanist and moral values. In such historic moment, achievements of Zoran Djindjic appeared to open the door to citizens to come out of the historical crisis.

Dr. Zoran Djindjic was not just a politician; he promoted ideas that raise Western civilisation out of the medieval darkness, hoping that those ideas will take out Serbian society out of the medieval darkness of totalitarianism into the world of the enlightenment, the respect of the international community, democracy and modern Europe.

Unfortunately, Serbia is, as it was on March 12, 2003, under joint occupation of powerful structures, associated with big capital, big criminal and "big politics". These powerful structures prefer the status quo, and are greatly disturbed by the fact that one day they will have to conform to strict European norms, which Dr. Zoran Djindjic promoted, which could endanger their monopolistic and profitable businesses.

In deed, situation in Serbia has changed dramatically after the assassination of Zoran Djindjic. Since March 2004, Serbia is witnessing the revival of Milosevic-era values, and more citizens are aware that what was called as the "trial of the century in Serbia" is just a parody of justice, certainly due to political reasons. Question: "Who killed Mr. Zoran Djindjic" must not be just reduced to a list of names. It is much deeper and wider issue and avoiding to confront this issue, Serbian society unrecoverable sinking in the past, in the totalitarian nineties. Basically the answer is connection of powerful financial structures and the security services, BIA (Security Information Agency), Military Security Agency (VBA), KGB. They are struggle that the truth about the assassination of Dr. Zoran Djindjic never reveals. When it was spoken about responsibility of media for creating an atmosphere for the assassination of Zoran Djindjic, Mr. Zivkovic's government faced condemnation due to such attitude. It seems that someone failed to say that yet Lasswell detected Nazi propaganda analysing press content.

Preventing current political elite to continue started reforms, as well as vision of the assassinated Prime Minister, has inevitably led to transfer of responsibilities into someone else and in that context since March 2004, a public discourse is filled with intolerance, xenophobia, anti-Semitism and ethnic conflicts. Unreadiness and insincerity of the ruling political elite on recent past is pushing

Serbia towards retrograde process, which isolates Serbia from the rest of the world. The absence of a modernizing vision of Serbia, has led to a revival of Serb conservative thought what is defined by two basic characteristics: pursuit of territories claimed by the Serb national project, and promotion of a system of values that are anti-Western in orientation. This orientation is accompanied by a political radicalization within society. It is not just about some marginal conservative or extreme political forces. They have become powerful because of the support they enjoy in the traditional national institutions such as the army, the Serbian Academy of Science, and the Serb Orthodox Church. Denying democratic values reflects on concept of human rights that is more frequent turns into violent actions against minority groups and political opponents. Having in mind such ideological background it's easy to understand numerous racist, anti-Semitic and anti-Western campaigns intensively led from 2004 until March 2008. Serbia has never been particularlyly intelligent, but recent events speak that there is no wit in Serbia and that the "brain death" occurred. Its functions are maintained with the aid of apparatus. It's tragic when people lost so much hope that doesn't have motives to live normal life. It is the one of the biggest crime of Vojislav Kostunica and his followers, radicals-neo-fascists towards citizens of Serbia.

We live under the ultra disturbed circumstances, people are depressed. New lies are being told everyday, threats and tomorrow who knows what else and more and more. It's understood that we are again in mud, like in the beginning of the nineties. Just, there is no Djindjic to pool us out.

Due to this reasons LINGVA will try to influence positively on spreading of civil activism among citizens of Serbia, through its activities, with the aim to accelerate initiated, but currently stopped reform process, which Dr. Zoran Djindjic traced and whose main goal is the democratisation of society and the European future of Serbia.

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