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### **Statement by IMF Resident Representative for Bosnia and Herzegovina**

Andrew Jewell, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) Resident Representative in Bosnia and Herzegovina, issued the following statement in Sarajevo today:

“Following a decision by the IMF’s Executive Board to increase the amount of emergency assistance available to member countries, the IMF now stands ready to provide €30 million to BiH under a Rapid Financing Instrument (RFI) to combat the COVID-19 crisis.”

“However, before the RFI can be approved, the authorities must first reach an agreement on how the RFI funds will be allocated between the two entities. Failure to reach an agreement will result in postponement of the assistance. The Executive Board currently has over 90 requests for emergency assistance, and it may be difficult to find another date in the near future for the Board to consider BiH’s request.”

“We urge the authorities to work together to reach an agreement as soon as possible.”

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### **Izjava rezidentnog predstavnika MMF-a u Bosni i Hercegovini**

Danas je u Sarajevu Andrew Jewell, rezidentni predstavnik Međunarodnog monetarnog fonda u Bosni i Hercegovini dao sljedeću izjavu:

„Nakon odluke Izvršnog odbora da poveća iznos hitne pomoći koja će biti na raspolaganju zemljama članicama, MMF je sada spreman da u okviru Instrumenta za brzo finansiranje (RFI) obezbijedi 330 miliona Eura Bosni i Hercegovini za borbu protiv krize izazvane COVID-19.“

„Međutim, prije nego bude moguće odobriti RFI, vlasti prvo moraju postići dogovor o tome kako će sredstva od RFI biti podijeljena između dva entiteta. Neuspjeh u postizanju dogovora će imati za rezultat odgađanje pomoći. Izvršni odbor trenutno ima više od 90 zahtjeva za hitnu pomoć te će možda biti teško pronaći drugi datum u skorijoj budućnosti kada bi Odbor mogao razmatrati zahtjev BiH.“

„Podstičemo vlasti da rade zajedno kako bi, čim je to prije moguće, postigle dogovor.“