



*Embassy of the United States of America
Pristina, Kosovo*

Office of the Ambassador

February 16, 2023

Dear Madam President:

I have the honor to transmit to you the enclosed letter from the President of the United States of America, Joseph R. Biden Jr. The White House does not plan to release the text of the message but has no objection if you wish to do so. No original will follow.

Please accept the assurance of my highest esteem.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff M. Hovenier".

Jeffrey M. Hovenier
Ambassador

Enclosure: Letter from President Joseph R. Biden Jr.

Her Excellency

Vjosa Osmani Sadriu

President

Republic of Kosovo

Dear Madam President:

On behalf of the people of the United States, I send our best wishes to you and the people of Kosovo as you commemorate the 15th anniversary of your country's independence.

Over the last several years, Kosovo and the United States have strengthened democratic institutions to equitably and effectively deliver good governance, rule of law, and opportunity for citizens across both of our countries. Together, we've stood up for our shared values—including supporting the people of Ukraine as they defend themselves against Russia's unjust and unprovoked aggression. The United States will continue to support Kosovo's integration into Euro-Atlantic institutions and the EU-facilitated Dialogue on the normalization of relations with Serbia. We welcome your endorsement of the EU proposal on normalization, with the eventual goal of mutual recognition, which would help secure a more peaceful and prosperous future for the people of both Kosovo and Serbia.

In the year ahead—as Kosovo continues to develop and prosper as a multiethnic, sovereign, and independent country—I look forward to strengthening our partnership and deepening our friendship even further.

Sincerely,

Joseph R. Biden Jr.