

### **III MONITORING OF THE PROCESS OF ADOPTION OF NEW LAWS**

In the period covered by this Report, the Parliament of the Republic of Serbia did not discuss any laws of special relevance for the media sector. Shortly before the expiry of the said period, the series of round tables organized by OSCE in cooperation with the Ministry of Culture and the EU Delegation in Serbia, with the support of the British Embassy to Belgrade, came to an end. The topics of the round tables were the Media Study, prepared by European experts, as well as subjects related to future media regulations in Serbia. It was announced that the government signed an agreement with the consulting company hired by the Ministry of Culture to write the draft of the Media Strategy. The said Draft was not, however, released by the Ministry by the time the reporting period expired. The strategic decisions to be chosen by the Ministry, namely the Government of the Republic of Serbia in the Media Strategy, will determine the ensuing legislative work on a whole set of new laws. The questions that remain unanswered and that stirred controversy on the round tables pertain to state financing of the media and state ownership in the media.