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**PRESS RELEASE**

**The house of the Myftiu family has been demolished, a monument that was protected by law**

The house of the Myftiu family which is located in the area of the Historic Center of Prizren has been demolished, a monument protected by law. Thus, Prizren has lost another cultural heritage building with architectural and artistic values.

Based on the information received from the officials of the Regional Center for Cultural Heritage in Prizren, the demolition was done without the proper permission of the authorities, while there was no request for intervention.

According to the data published on the Kosovo Cultural Heritage Database of the MCYS, the house in question was inventoried in 2003, while it is under temporary protection from 2015-2016. It is classified as a monument. This house is also listed in Annex II of the Law on Historic Center of Prizren respectively Cultural Monuments in the Historic Center of Prizren.

The database states that the house of the Myftiu family is located in the area of the historic center of Prizren, near the Emin Pasha Mosque. It was built in the nineteenth century, namely in 1859, and has served all the time for housing. Cultural heritage authorities have announced that the interior of the house preserved original elements of the buildings of the time and had architectural and artistic values both in the exterior and in the interior.

EC Ma Ndryshe so far has reacted many times to the destruction of cultural heritage monuments in Prizren and especially in the Historical Center of the city, and reiterates the position that it is the time that state institutions must act seriously for full implementation of the legislation in relation to this protected area.

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