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A prominent Bosnian psychiatrist, professor emeritus of the Medical Faculty of the University of Sarajevo (UNSA), a full member of the Academy of Sciences and Arts of Bosnia and Herzegovina (ANU B&H) and a member of the Board of Trustiess of the International Neuropsychiatric Pula Congress passed away today in Sarajevo.

The departure of Academician Loga is a great loss for us, his friends and his family, psychiatry and science, not only in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Generations of students of Medicine, Law and the Faculty of Criminological Sciences of the University of Sarajevo, as well as specialists in neuropsychiatry, psychiatry and neurology in B&H, have learned from our dear Loga (that's what we all called him), and they will remember him fondly. He was widely educated an expert in not only psychiatry but medicine in general.

I had the privilege of learning from him not only psychiatry, but also how to empathetically approach every sick person and people in general, how to enjoy life and be his friend. Loga was a true intellectual and an extremely charming and kind man. He was self-effacing and spoke little about himself and everyday problems. I remember that only after several years of cooperation and friendship, he once told me that it was very difficult for him in besieged Sarajevo, during the war, and how he feared for the lives of his loved ones, especially his daughters Svjetlana and Natasa.

Loga was born in 1936 in Oštrelj, Drvar, Bosnia and Herzegovina. He finished elementary school, high school and the Faculty of Medicine in Sarajevo. He specialized in neuropsychiatry in 1966.

He began his university career as an assistant at the Institute of Psychiatry in London (British Council scholarship), and after being elected assistant professor and associate professor, he acquired the title of full professor in 1986 at the Medical Faculty in Sarajevo.

From 1986 to 2000, he was the head of the Department of Neurology, Psychiatry and Medical Psychology at the UNSA School of Medicine, and from 1989 to 1991 he was Vice-Rector of UNSA. He is the author and co-author of numerous published papers and books, written mainly in the field of clinical psychiatry and psychopharmacology.

He was the President of the Committee for Psychiatric and Neurological Research of the Department of Medical Sciences of the Academy of Sciences of BiH. From 2002 to 2008 he was the Secretary General of the Academy of Sciences of BiH, and from 2008 to 2012 he was its Vice President.

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