

OHR RTRS News Summary, 16 September 1999

News Headlines

- Dodik concludes visit to Japan
- Stability in region very important for Japanese investment in RS – RS Information Minister Rajko Vasic
- Members of BiH Council of Ministers agree on text of Law on Emigration and Asylum in BiH
- OHR does not accept suspension of evictions in Banja Luka – Stiglmayer
- Barry and Petritsch bring arbitration decision on Drvar, Mayor Marceta and Executive Council President Malbasic dismissed
- No Croats arrested in Drvar or other municipalities in Canton Ten during incidents – UN spokesperson Douglas Hoffman
- Former ID of Former Yugoslavia and BiH Socialist Republic to be valid until 5 April 2002
- 17 dead in terrorist attack in south Russian city of Volgogradsk
- General Momir Talic retains two French advocates for his defense at ICTY
- RS envoy in arbitration process for Brcko Vitomir Popovic sends Main Arbiter Roberts Owen separate opinion on disagreement with Brcko arbitration
- Lies about behavior of Serb members in Brcko police destabilize situation in Brcko – Brcko Board of SPRS
- First SPRS Assembly to be held on 18 September in Brcko
- US Government assists in reconstruction of water systems in Petrovo and Doboj
- Workers Union of electric industry in BiH Federation, RS, Serbia, Montenegro, Greece and Cyprus hold session on privatization of electric companies
- Day of VRS 16th Brigade
- Djukanovic meets with Hungarian President Arpad Genz
- Djukanovic to visit Slovakia
- NATO destroyed 93 Tanks, 153 combat vehicles and 339 armored vehicles during air strikes in Yugoslavia – Clark
- KLA not responsible for ethnic cleansing of Kosovo Serbs – Clark
- One Serb civilian dead and one injured in Pristina – KFOR spokesperson Jirgens
- Serb civilian killed in Gnjilanje
- From June until now, 50 Serbs have killed in Gnjilanje
- From June, 40 Serbs have killed in Istok
- Kosovo Albanians must differentiate Russian KFOR troops from Russian volunteers in Serbian troops – Russian KFOR Commander
- Demilitarization of KLA should conclude on 19 September – Shelton
- Serb judges cannot work under Kouchner conditions in Kosovo courts – Former Serb judge Marinkovic in Pristina
- Registration of voters for Kosovo elections to begin on 1 October – UN Mission to Kosovo spokesperson Susan Manuel
- European Parliament to supply EURO 30 million for Kosovo reconstruction
- KLA to finish demilitarization three days ahead of schedule – Cheku
- Nicole meets with BiH Federation commercial bank envoys
- HVO receives DM 141.5 million, Bosniak part of BiH Federation Army received DM 110.7 and VRS DM 27 million in foreign aid – BiH Presidency confirms
- US Congress to send team for fight against organized crime in BiH
- Bicakcic and other BiH Federation officials wanting to raise charge against New York Times to retain foreign advocates – SDP BiH
- Petritsch informs BiH Federation officials that he will insist on cancellation of parallel institutions

in BiH Federation

- BiH Civil air transport loses out on \$10 million because partners cannot agree on how to divide money – SFOR envoy
- BiH House of Peoples adopts Law on Payment System
- Bickacic statement that cantonal police officers must wear same uniforms is not in accordance with BiH Federation Constitution – Luzanski
- 2,399 demands for return from east to west Mostar
- World news
- Seminar 'Youth and Crime' held in Banja Luka – German Foundation Konrad Adenauer and Banja Luka University organize
- RS culture
- Sports and weather
- Ceremonies for day of 16th VRS brigade held in Banja Luka
- RS Government will continue to work in state institutions – RS Government Adviser Milan Dupor in Cleveland
- Kosovo Albanians rob several Serb houses in southern part of Kosovska Mitrovica
- Serbs to prevent robbing and burning of Serb houses – Serb National Council of Kosovska Mitrovica
- Orthodox bishops meet with Portuguese KFOR envoys in Pec
- Serb Orthodox Church never prohibited some nation from living in Kosovo – Serb Patriarch Pavle
- If KFOR did not come to Kosovo, all orthodox churches would be burned and all Serbs out of Kosovo – Orthodox bishop Amfilohije
- Europe Union to help Stability Pact for Southeastern Europe
- World news

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Lies about behavior of Serb members in Brcko police destabilize situation in Brcko – Brcko Board of SPRS

The Brcko Municipal Board of the SPRS issued a press release regarding events in the Brcko police. The SPRS Board believes that the spreading of lies about the unprofessional quality and carelessness of Serb workers and officers in the Brcko police is an attempt to create the illusion that it is impossible to maintain an executive authority in Brcko. "That is one more method of destabilizing the political situation in order to strengthen foreign supervision in all segments of the legally elected authorities in Brcko" reads the SPRS Brcko release. The SPRS Brcko cannot accept omissions in the process of confirming responsibility of Head of the Brcko Police Teodor Gavric and requests that initiatives to dismiss Gavric's deputies Mirsad Haseljcic and Pero Androsevic be started.

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