

# **OHR SRT News Summary, 11 November 1998**

## **Headlines**

- The RS President, Nikola Poplasen, in talks with senior American delegations, stressed that the RS was ready to implement consistently the Peace Agreement
- Srpska fulfilled all assumed obligations foreseen by the additional arbitration award for Brcko, Ostoja Kremenovic, vice-president of the Government stated
- In Kosmet, Albanian terrorists attack again
- Today, on November 11th, the 80th anniversary of the end of the First World War commemorated throughout the world

The RS President Nikola Poplasen received representatives of the American Congress in Banja Luka today. The one-hour meeting, attended also by representatives of the American Embassy to BiH, discussed the implementation of the DA. RS is ready to accept all obligations foreseen by the DA, Nikola Poplasen said, promising that he would undertake all the activities aimed at its consistent implementation. The RS President Nikola Poplasen talked today with Carl Levin, U.S.A. Senator, Richard Kauzlarich, American Ambassador to BiH, and other members of the delegation of the American Congress and Embassy to Sarajevo. A press release from the President's Cabinet says that the subject of the meeting was the further course of DA implementation as well as the current policy relating to the election of the new prime minister and the RS Government.

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The chairman of the Government Arbitration Commission, vice president of the RS Government Ostoja Kremenovic, assessed at a session held in Brcko that the RS has fulfilled all assumed obligations foreseen by the additional arbitration award. What has not been done is the revitalisation of the economy which would condition bigger social security for the citizens in the area of Brcko. In that respect, the RS Government, at its last session, passed the acts on a special approach to privatisation by some companies in Brcko.

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The RS President Nikola Poplasen today resumed consultations on the election of the new prime minister by meeting with the representatives of the SNS and SPRS. The representatives of the Coalition for Single and Democratic BiH did not respond to the invitation to consultations and the reason is not known, according to Slobodan Cvijetic, advisor to the president for the political system and legal issues, announcing that the consultations and negotiations on the election of the new prime minister would continue in the coming days.

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Kosovo-related news

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At the press conference of international organisations held in Sarajevo today, Deputy HR for Economic Issues Didier Fau stressed that, regarding certain important projects for the revival of the economic situation in BiH, progress had not been achieved. When asked to what extent economic issues were important for the overall situation in BiH, the spokesman for OHR Simon Haselock said that those issues were crucial and that they affected the overall situation, inter alia, the return of refugees as well.

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The new non-government organisation, Council of Bosniaks from RS, was promoted in Bijeljina today. The Council of Bosniaks from the RS will base its work on the RS Law and the DA, stressed the president of the organisation Sutkovic. Sutkovic called on all international organisations to assist financially the work of this association.

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The president of the SDS presidency Dragan Kalinic denied accusations that the party, which on the basis of the recent election results won the biggest number of seats in the Assembly, offered any ministerial posts whatsoever

to representatives of the KCDBiH. At today's press conference Kalinic confirmed that the SDS advocated the Government of National Unity. On the other hand, Kalinic accused representatives of the "Sloga" coalition of cooperating with KCDBiH and agreements on the possible allocation of ministerial posts in the future Government.

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