

OHR SRT News Summary, 10 April 1998

Headlines

- Serbs can solve the national problem exclusively through the absolute democratization, the RS President Biljana Plavsic stated
- RS Prime Minister Milorad Dodik visited Teslic today
- Radovan Karadzic in contact with the Hague Tribunal, British media informed today
- Terrorist actions renewed in Kosovo 30"

The democratization is a condition for the survival of the RS and that process has to be introduced in the entire Serb territory. The DA does not stop us from creating the legal and economic prosperity in the RS, the President stated in the interview that is to be published in the tomorrow's edition of Glas Srpski.

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The RS Prime Minister visited Teslic today and spoke to the authorities in that town about the economic recovery, housing for refugees and DPs and the construction of the road Teslic-Doboj. On his visit to Teslic the Prime Minister announced his new trip to Washington where he is going to discuss the credit intended for the reconstruction of the hydro energetic system Buk -Bijela which amounts to \$ 380 million.

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The Prime Minister also visited Brcko today where he attended the opening of a wood factory financed by the US AID that will employ 20 workers.

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The possible surrender of the former RS President Radovan Karadzic is a topic of a day in the world: The Reuters finds today that Karadzic informed the moderate leadership of the RS, i.e. Biljana Plavsic and Milorad Dodik about the possibility of his surrender to the Hague Tribunal. According to a diplomat from Brussels who wanted to remain anonymous, one of Karadzic's conditions is serving his time in prison in one of the orthodox countries.

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Right before this News our journalists contacted the Karadzic's family. They denied any possibility of Karadzic surrender to the Hague.

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The regular press conference held in the federal part of Sarajevo today: The OHR spokesperson Simon Haselock stated that the HR Carlos Westendorp expressed dissatisfaction with the session of the B&H Presidency not taking place the day before. Such obstructions will not be tolerated any more and the HR can use his right to dismiss the politicians who do not act in the line with the Bonn Declaration, Haselock stated. OHR commended the adoption of the Memo on cooperation with the IMF.

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The regular press conference held in the Supervisor's office in Brcko today: the Law on property which entered into force on April 4th and the importance of establishing the Commission of the RS Government for Brcko which is multi-ethnic were discussed at the press conference.

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UNHCR condemned the act of obstructing 500 Muslims to visit their houses and graveyards in Novi Grad on April 8th by Serb refugees and DPs in that town. UNHCR assessed the act as a step backward in the implementation of the DA.

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The SDS Town Board considers that the RS Government has to protect its citizens and provide them with a legal help if they are indicted by the Hague Tribunal or arrested. The Town Board demands the irrevocable resignation of

the RS Minister of Construction Jovo Basic due to his statement that the construction of the railroad section Bijeljina-Milosevac is a megalomaniac project, the president of the SDS Town Board Mr. Cavic stated at today's press conference held in Banjaluka.

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