

OHR RTRS News Summary, 21 October 2000

RT RS News Headlines:

- Poet Jovan Ducic's remains returned to Trebinje and buried after 57 years in Chicago
- Serb poet Jovan Ducic commemorated in Trebinje House of Culture; senior RS officials and numerous guests from Serbia and Montenegro attend ceremony
- More than 50,000 Trebinje citizens and guests from other parts of RS await and welcome Ducic's remains in Trebinje
- Kostunica to attend second day of Trebinje ceremony and meet Radisic at Sarajevo airport on Sunday
- Serbia still without provisional government since party caucuses fail to agree on candidates for ministry posts
- Deadline for scheduling special elections for Serbian Assembly expires Monday
- In DOS and SPO's eyes, Brislav Ivkovic remains a problematic ministerial candidate because of his participation in beatings of OTPOR resistance members
- SPO insists on resignation of Serbian State Security Department Head Rade Markovic due to numerous unexplained assassinations and kidnappings
- Main item on agenda of Serbian Assembly's Monday session to be election of Serbian prime minister and other ministers
- Socialist National Party of Montenegro officially nominates candidate Zoran Zizic for Yugoslav Federal Prime Minister
- RS sends humanitarian aid shipment worth 422,000 KM for Serbian Clinic Centre
- World news
- BiH Parliamentary delegation participates in 104th Inter-Parliamentary Union session in Indonesian capital, Jakarta
- Failure of RS Government and competent RS ministries to meet teachers', scientists' and cultural employees' labor union demands before Monday will result in general strike; RS Education Minister Suzic believes union organisers ordered election strike
- Review of refugee and displaced persons status in RS, sponsored by UNHCR, to end on 25 October; 173,788 persons confirmed with this status thus far
- ==> RTRS report on absence of election posters in RS towns despite campaign launch on September 27 (03:59)
- HDZ position on establishment of third entity in BiH supported by municipal party boards in Siroki Brijeg, Ljubuski, Grude and Posusje – Sarajevo press (00:20)
- RTRS report on induction of September class of RS Army recruits in Banja Luka
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In spite of the fact that the RS election campaign has been on for almost a month and that the political parties have been presenting their platforms daily, a surprisingly tiny number of election posters grace the entity's roadsides and walls. However, the parties have announced they will step up their activities beginning next week, emphasising that election material is continuously being printed. OSCE and municipal government regulations regarding election material are extremely strict this year and posters are forbidden on all public facilities, trees and traffic signs. RTRS surveyed some RS parties on how much money they intend to spend for the printing of election material. According to SNSD Election HQ Head Slavko Mitrovic, his party will not spend more than 60,000 KM. Igor Radojicic of the DSP emphasised that their election material will be printed in limited quantity and that expenses

will come to a maximum of 100,000 KM. Slavko Popovic said he could guarantee that the SDS would spend less than half the amount allowed by international community rules. The RS Government re-balanced its 2000 budget earmarking 400,000 KM for political parties.