

OBN News Review, 14 August 1999

Headlines

- Situation is tense after yesterday's incident in Kozarac
- 20 injured in demonstrations in Ireland
- 200 people killed in floods in China
- TV INFO main topic: Is the justice only slow, or are we a country without justice at all
- Prewar policemen from Kladusa out of business, new ones do not have the trust of one part of the population
- Return of refugees in some parts of Bosnia & Herzegovina
- Weather tomorrow: stabile and dry

Kozarac

Situation in Kozarac is returning to normal after the incident in which two people were killed. Police presence in the town has increased, and the attacker is still in the hospital. Returnees to Kozarac are pointing out that this is the first incident of this kind in this town. Report prepared by OBN reporter Nebojsa Racic.

Glinje

According to the Annex 7 of the Dayton agreement, Bosniaks from Glinje were given the approval to return to their homes. Problem occurred when 16 Bosniak families wanted to stay overnight. Nine Serb families still living in Glinja did not feel safe since there were no international representatives present. Report prepared by OBN reporter Zeljko Pantelic.

Sarajevo

There is no competent court that would settle disputes between two people living in Federation and RS. Justice is not only slow, it does not exist at all on the state level. The only joint institution, Constitutional Court, is not settling disputes of this kind. Some reports of the International Crisis Group say that justice in Bosnia is corrupt. Report prepared by OBN reporter Sanjin Beciragic.

Sarajevo

After the High Representative passed the law on Federal Prosecutor's Office, Cantonal Offices lost part of their autonomy. If it is judged that a Cantonal Prosecutor's Office is not acting in accordance with law, Federal Prosecutor's Office can now take the case and pass it on to some other court. Report prepared by OBN reporter Danijela Bozic.

Velika Kladusa

Next story is also about justice. 12 prewar policemen from Velika Kladusa are waiting to find out if they are still employed. They were never fired, but their return to work was prevented. They were also physically abused and accused of supporting the autonomous region of Western Bosnia. On the other hand, some citizens of this municipality do not trust new policemen. Report prepared by OBN reporter Amarildo Gutic.

Kosovo

New Yugoslav deputy prime minister, Tomislav Nikolic, asked for Milosevic's resignation. He also warned the opposition that the Government would respond to violence with violence. US Government allocated 20 million US dollars to help reforms in Montenegro. Sporadic incidents and arrests all around Kosovo. Report prepared by OBN reporter Duska Jurisic.

Gnojnice, Mostar

40 Serb families visited their homes in Gnojnice. Vujadin Berberovic, Coordinator for the return of Serbs to Mostar,

said that more than 2 thousand Serb families have already returned to the wider region of Mostar. He also pointed out that Stari Grad is the next municipality marked for the return. Report prepared by Elvedina Zlomuzica

Vrtoce, Bosanski Petrovac

Together with 50 houses, the infrastructure in this village is also under reconstruction. Almost all former inhabitants expressed their desire to return to their homes. Report prepared by Azra Bajric.

Komusine, Teslic

After eight years, picture of Mother of God from Kondzile was returned to the Church in Komusine. This was the third return of this picture to the home church. Thousands of believers carried the picture on their arms during the procession headed by Cardinal Vinko Puljic. Croat refugees used this opportunity to visit their homes Report prepared by Muhamed Caric.

World News

EU worried about the situation in Dagestan. Pakistan prime minister wants peace with India. Rebels in Liberia freed all humanitarian workers. Demonstrations in Belfast. Ethnic clashes in Indonesia. Referendum on autonomy to be held in East Timor. Report prepared by OBN reporter Damir Kaletovic.

Banja Luka

Round table about media and market was held in Banja Luka. Main topic was the survival of independent media in RS on the open market. It was concluded that sponsors must withdraw gradually and the independent media must cross local boundaries. Report prepared by Tatjana Lajsic.

Sarajevo

Second International Festival of techno music Futura 999 starts tonight in Sarajevo. OBN will broadcast this event directly. Report prepared by OBN reporter Slobodan Maksimovic.

Sport News

Football season in both entities was opened. Pole position for Mika Hakkinen. Rafter, Kafelnikov, Agassi and Sampras advanced to semifinals in Cincinnati. Hingis and Davenport both won in LA. Report prepared by OBN reporters Mirza Vilic, Mustafa Radonjic and Adnan Burazerovic.

Weather Forecast

Big floods in China and Romania.