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Headlines

- B&H citizens will be able to enter Croatia only with their IDs until 30th September
- The situation in Janja has been stabilised
- The B&H Parliament rejected a draft election law, proposed by the SDP
- General elections have been scheduled for 24th September
- Registration of refugees and the displaced started in the RS

Sarajevo

A Croatian delegation, led by the Prime Minister, Ivica Racan arrived in B&H today. "Co-operation with B&H is priority for Croatia", Mr. Racan said. Our two countries have a lot to discuss about, in order to improve the refugee return", he added. Two international agreements were signed, as well as a protocol on co-operation between the two Foreign Ministries. Reported by Vedran Persic.

Bijeljina

The situation in Janja has stabilised. The RS Vice-President, Mirko Sarovic met heads of the Bijeljina municipality, and representatives from Janja. Delegates at the Bijeljina Assembly adopted a programme of concrete measures for accommodation of refugees from Janja. The report was produced by Vesna Mladenovic.

Janja

"Local authorities should implement law and order. That is why we demand identification of those who caused incidents in Janja, and carrying out of appropriate measures". This was emphasised at today's press conference of the <u>UN</u>, <u>SFOR</u>, <u>UNHCR</u> and OHR in Sarajevo. Reported by Sevko Bajic.

Janja

Local Serbs in Janja condemned incidents and attacks against Bosniaks. Refugees from Podrinje blocked the road between Tuzla and Sarajevo today, protesting because conditions for their return were not provided. Damir Kaletovic produced the report.

Banja Luka

The RS Internal Ministry organised a press conference today. They invited everyone interested to apply to the RS Police School, regardless of their nationality. The RS Internal Minister, Sredoje Novic said that investigation on several explosions in the area was underway. Reported by Tatjana Lajsic.

Sarajevo

The B&H Parliament decided that the Deputy Chairman of the B&H House of Representatives, Halid Genjac would temporary be at the Post of Alija Izetbegovic after his withdrawal. A new Parliament will appoint the permanent member after the elections, Amarildo Gutic confirmed.

Sarajevo

The Federation Government established a proposal for changes in the Law on privatisation of enterprises. According to the proposal, cash and certificate payments would be equal. Implementation of certificate payments might start by the beginning of September. The report was produced by Mirna Sadikovic.

World

The FRY President, Slobodan Milosevic scheduled the Presidential elections for 24th September. The Montenegrin

Prime Minister said that the leading Coalition would not participate at the elections.

The USA, "Amnesty International" and other organisations for protection of human rights condemned the sentence to 7 years in prison for the journalist from Kraljevo, Miroslav Filipovic. The sentence was issued by the Military Court in Nis.

Experts de-coded a flight recorder from the plane "Concord". They discovered that the plane burned immediately after taking off.

The US President, Bill Clinton hopes that Israelis and Palestinians will reach an agreement by 13th September.

Violent protests against the President of Peru, Alberto Fujimori took place in Lima.

Mladen Maric produced the report on world events.

Banja Luka

The revision of the list of refugees and the displaced started in the RS. Reported by Milorad Milojevic.

Sarajevo

Veterans from the World War II marked the 27th July, Rising Day in B&H, Adis Saranovic reported.

Sarajevo

A painter from Mostar, Ibrahim Novalic Beli organised an exhibition called "Kameni Spavac" in Sarajevo. He devoted the exhibition to the famous B&H writer, Mak Dizdar. Reported by Meliha Hasanbegovic.

Banja Luka

A manifestation "Ljeto na Vrbasu" will take place on 29th and 30th July in Banja Luka, Sanja Srdic reported.

Sport

Reports on local basketball and international football were presented.