

# **OHR BiH TV News Summary, 13 September 1999**

## **News Headlines**

- At least 40 persons killed in new terrorist attack in Moscow
- Second earthquake in Turkey
- Petritsch addresses letter to Radisic and Dodik expressing serious IC concern over RS boycott in Permanent Military Committee sessions
- Petritsch visits Dobož to investigate situation in reconstruction of houses for returnees
- Bosniak refugees from Mostar ask OHR to assist return of 1,804 families to West Mostar and remove 'iron curtain' placed in front of their pre-war homes
- Petritsch organizes visit by Canadian, French, Turkish, Norwegian and British Ambassadors to HN Canton municipalities
- Cesna 500, first BiH aircraft confiscated by JNA in 1992, returned to BiH on Monday
- BiH Central Bank announces withdrawal of Kuna and DM from internal circulation as of 30 September
- BiH construction firms offer tender for reconstruction jobs in Kosovo and Turkey
- Korea to invest 12 million US dollars for reconstruction of Cazin company 'Medica'
- International conference on 'Sigra' electricity system opens in Neum
- World news
- Prince Charles arrives in Kosovo
- Sarcophagus of last Bosnian King Stjepan Tomasevic arrives in BiH
- World Bank President Wolfenson informs Izetbegovic that World Bank does not have mandate to investigate individual cases and suggests forming audit commission to investigate use of public funds
- Ombudsmen delegation meets with Sarajevo Canton Interior Ministry representatives to discuss human rights protection
- BiH Islamic Community and BiH Federation Defense Ministry sign temporary protocol that enables Muslim soldiers in BiH Federation Army to pray according to standards of modern armies
- BiH House of Representatives Chairman Banjac accuses CD Coalition delegates and SDP of obstructing work
- Agreement on return of 10,000 Bosniak families to RS another Dodik deception - SDA
- Liberal Party holds press conference
- LBO believes no ruling parties want to enable refugee return and asks OSCE to publish draft version of Permanent Election Law
- Circus arrives in Tuzla

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### **Petritsch organizes visit by Canadian, French, Turkish, Norwegian and British Ambassadors to HN Canton municipalities**

High Representative Wolfgang Petritsch organized a visit for Canadian, French, British, Turkish and Norwegian Ambassadors to HN Canton municipalities. They visited Kosora, Mostar Southeast Municipality, where a large number of refugees returned, including the recent return of Croat refugees. Head of the OHR office for Reconstruction in Mostar, Kristof Gostonyi, said that an increased interest by refugee families to return to this area has been registered. According to Gostonyi, more funding for reconstruction of houses is needed for return. Head of Southeast Mostar Municipality Sead Salcin stated that "in order to have self-sustainable return, we need further help from the International Community." The ambassadors also visited 34 returnees of Serb nationality living in tents in the Cipuljic community and Bosniak returnees in the village of Vlasinje, Jajce Municipality.

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**Agreement on return of 10,000 Bosniak families to RS another Dodik deception - SDA**

The SDA considers that the agreement on return of 10,000 Bosniak families to the RS constitutes another deception by RS Prime Minister Milorad Dodik and an attempt to neutralize CD Coalition requests for RS Government restructuring. Last year's promise for the return of 70,000 Bosniak families to the RS and reconstruction of the Banja Luka Ferhadija mosque was not realized. The return of property to Bosniak municipal delegates is another unrealized promise from Dodik.

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