

OHR BiH TV News Summary, 31 August 1999

News Headlines

- Croatian Government announces end to cooperation with Silajdzic
- Silajdzic says information of Council of Ministers distancing from his statement is false
- We aim at cooperation with and prosperity of BiH as our neighbor, Silajdzic has next move – Croat Ambassador to BiH Damir Zoric
- Both parliamentary houses hold sessions and agree to continue with ninth session on 10 September
- House of Peoples ends session during agenda discussion, will reconvene at later date
- Talic faces Tribunal for first time, pleads not guilty
- There is no leak of secret ICTY list, only logical conclusions of possible suspects – Arbour
- Holbrooke leaves Kosovo, expected to visit BiH
- Another earthquake hits Turkey
- UN Security Council condemns violence against civilians in Kosovo
- Overview of Kosovo events
- World news
- 14th Brcko Municipal session, suspension of Teodor Galic as Brcko Police Chief discussed
- Mostar Airport to be released from Temporary Executive Board established by OHR to Mostar City rule on 16 September
- If there is indictment against Tudjman, evidence alleged by media non-existent – Arbour
- Heads of Eastern European Economic Chambers meet with EU representatives in Ljubljana
- Edhem Bicakcic meets with German Government delegation
- Saudi Fund lends \$5 million to BiH small business development
- Austrian bank decides to start exchanging KM in Slovenia as of Monday
- Sloga will negotiate CD Coalition participation in RS Government before next Assembly session – Radisic
- Member of RS Independent Social Democrats Slavko Mitrovic considers CD coalition demand to be unacceptable ultimatum
- Association of Former Concentration Camp Prisoners supports Silajdzic, having proof of his statement that they will send to The Hague
- OHR reports of 4,000 returnees to Travnik, housing biggest problem
- UN Mission pleased with organized return of Bosniaks to Rabinje and Zrnja in Herzegovina and return of Serbs to Bobovista village
- Our basic task for helping returns is overseeing work of Committee for Double Use of Flats – OSCE Tuzla Barbara Conttini
- Mladen Punovic funeral
- Bicakcic and Dodik agree on greater efforts for better results in refugee returns
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Croatian Government announces end to cooperation with Silajdzic

The Croatian Government announced that their state institutions will cease all forms of cooperation with Co-chairman of the BiH Council of Ministers Haris Silajdzic due to his claims of Croatian leadership responsibility for the Croat-Bosniak conflict in BiH. The Government sees Silajdzic's claims as unfounded and irresponsible insinuations, saying that his private views should not influence relations between the two countries in any way.

Croatia wants the two sovereign and friendly states to keep strengthening and developing cooperation in the spirit of signed agreements and joint strategic aims to approach European and transatlantic integration, as well as the Stability Pact. The Croatian Government welcomes the decision of the BiH Council of Ministers to distance itself from Silajdzic's statement in its desire for the continued reinforcement of BiH-Croatian relations.

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