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Sarajevo – A Turkish Parliamentary Delegation headed by Hikmet Cetin, President of the Larger National Assembly of the Republic of Turkey, left BiH today after paying a visit to this country. During the several day visit, the Turkish Delegation met with the highest BiH Officials, visited the Turkish troops serving in NATO, as well as the refugee village Vanzala, near Zenica.

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Una-Sana Canton – In the talks which the Federal President Ejup Ganic, held with Una-Sana Canton officials today, criticism was expressed towards the Federal authorities due to the very slow implementation of the reconstruction and development programs in this part of the country. Follows a description and criticism of the poor economic situation in the Canton, which has 25,000 unemployed residents and 8,000 who are waiting to return to their jobs in the firms where they worked before the war. A further example is the duplication of production in the country which negatively effects some Una-Sana firms since they have all the equipment necessary to start producing, but lack the funding to begin.

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Pristina – A BiH reporter visiting Kosovo for the first time since the war in BiH, informs of a very tense situation in this part of the world. New military incidents were noted there, while Kosovo leader Rugova appeals for urgent international action. NATO officials describe this region as very worrying. Follows descriptions of the clashes between police forces and armed group of people, whose identity has not been established. In Malesevo, a village, near Pristina as well in Klina, a village between Pec and Pristina some explosions were noted. The Center of Malesevo was blocked and the police patrols were stepped up. Follows information on the killing of Albanians during last week.

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Brisel – A worrying situation on Kosovo as well as Monte Negro, became an every day topic for discussion of the western allies and Nato. They are given the same importance as the BiH, said a permanent BiH TV correspondent in his lengthy report from Brussels. He quoted an anonymous high rank NATO Officer ahead of tomorrow's EU Foreign Minister meeting. All crises spots on the south east of Europe are combined among themselves, and represent a threat of repeating of the events which have just been ended on the Balkans, reads the information.

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Monte Negro – In last night's explosion, a car belonging to Veselin Bejdovic, a commander of the police forces who fought against the January demonstrators, was blown up. There were no casualties. The Monte Negro media estimates that this act has a political background and is a result of the political differences.

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Monte Negro – Monte Negro media reported that the Ministry for Internal Affairs representatives found a weapons arsenal of guns and explosives held by Orthodox residents in a village with a Moslem majority.

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