

## **OHR BiH TV News Summary, 14 October 2000**

### **News Headlines:**

- Regular rotation in BiH Presidency, Radisic installed in rotating chair of BiH Presidency for next 8 months; Izetbegovic retires and is replaced by Halid Genjac, temporarily
- Dayton Peace Agreement implementation is continuing, but slowly – Izetbegovic in farewell speech before attending his final session of BiH Presidency (04:44)
- BiH Presidency adopts report on work of BiH State Border Service
- BiH Standing Committee on Military Matters holds session to discuss BiH defense policy, reduction of military potentials, participation of BiH in UN peacekeeping missions and resolution to housing problems (01:33)
- TV BiH interviews citizens in settlements that now belong to Zepce Municipality and before Petritsch decision belonged to Zavidovici Municipality; citizens divided concerning decision (02:43)
- BiH Constitutional Court involves itself in search for resolution to problems of 260 Banja Luka families still living in basements and other inadequate shelters in this town because their apartments are still occupied by Serb refugees from BiH Federation (03:04)
- EU leaders hold summit in French town Biarritz to discuss situation in Yugoslavia; Kostunica meets Chirac and Vedrine
- World news
- Sarajevo National Theater management warns of financial crisis in theatre; Sarajevo Ministry of Culture demands audit of National Theatre's accounts
- RS Education Ministry orders revision of diplomas and other school documents obtained on basis of statements by two witnesses; this process is currently ongoing, 1,000 have been checked so far
- New RS Criminal Code in effect from 1 October and now includes new provisions on family violence, which treats this category as criminal offence
- International Theatre Festival MESS to start on 16 October and run through to 26 October; TV BiH reviews work of MESS festival over past 40 years

### **BiH News Election Chronicle:**

- Jelavic letter to Mesic and other Croatian officials concerning new PEC decision on election of delegates to BiH and BiH Federation House of Peoples, as well as selection of BiH Federation President and Vice President which, according to him, jeopardises equal position of Croats in BiH (00:38)
- SDA is not ready to implement unjust Petritsch decision on Zepce Municipality (00:17)
- BiH Independent Trade Union leadership meets with GDS and proposes signing of election agreement between Independent Union and GDS (00:16)
- BiH Republicans hold rallies in Breza and Zupca to promote candidates for BiH Federation Parliament Stjepan Siber, Nedim Sarija and Becir Dina (00:13)
- If goal was to create damage by removing Kljuic from candidate list, it was not achieved – BiH Republican Tuzla Canton Board President Kunosic
- BiH Women's Party demands BiH Foreign Ministry to obtain statistical data concerning number of BiH wartime refugees abroad and number of post-war immigrants (00:24)
- DNZ reacts due to petition drive most likely organised by SDA in Velika Kladusa high schools directed against this party and party leadership, and calls on OSCE and OHR to take punitive measures against initiators (00:17)

- Economic Prosperity Party (SPP) BiH calls on voters to vote in upcoming elections but not for incumbent delegates because they betrayed confidence of people (00:08)
- SDA has so far organised 130 public forums in Tuzla Canton and plans to organize 160 more – SDA press conference in Tuzla (00:14)
- SDP Una-Sana Cantonal Board President Ibrahimasic denies allegations concerning existence of SDP-DNZ coalition during SDP public forum in Bihac (00:15)
- LDS BiH Election HQ organises meeting with voters in Zenica (00:18)
- BPS says SDP is anti-state and anti-Bosniak party that has from Lisbon to Dayton participated actively in division of BiH (00:23)
- First candidate on 'Radom Za Boljitak' list of independent candidates Ivankovic meets with Belgian Ambassador to BiH and inform him of party program and activities (00:10)
- BOSS expresses satisfaction with BiH Federation Government acceptance of amendments to law on sales and service tax thereby effectively abolishing tax on publications (00:13)
- TV BiH News Headlines (continued):
  - TV BiH announces interview with Izetbegovic following main newscast
  - Sports
  - Weather

### **News Summary:**

SDA is not ready to implement unjust Petritsch decision on Zepce Municipality (00:17)

The SDA is not ready to implement the unjust decision of High Representative Wolfgang Petritsch legalizing genocide and ethnic cleansing of Bosniaks in the Zepce Municipality. With the establishment of the Zepce Interim Board, the institutions of Zepce Municipal Council and Head of Municipality are effectively abolished. This represents an award to those political forces that refused to implement election results, reads a SDA announcement.