

# OBN News Review, 11 July 1999

## Headlines

- One thousand five hundred people from Srebrenica asked for information on their missing relatives at a protest gathering in Sarajevo
- Kosovo Serbs decided to cancel their cooperation with KFOR due to an increase of violence in the area – frequent incidents of the Kosovo Liberation Army
- Topics of TV INFO: Return & Position of the BiH Federation pensioners & Harvest in Semberija

## Sarajevo

One thousand five hundred people from Srebrenica protested today in front of the [UN](#) Building in Sarajevo, asking for information about their missing relatives. Four years ago, approximately 10,000 Bosniaks from Srebrenica disappeared. Their destiny is not known. OBN reporter, Damir Kaletovic, produced the report.

This was followed by a report on preparations for the South East European Stability Pact. OBN reporter, Vedran Persic, asked the Minister from the British Government, Tony Lloyd, who visited Srebrenica, whether the Summit would encourage the process of return, arrest those suspected for war crimes and find the truth about missing people. The USA Government expects the forthcoming Summit to create conditions for the foreign investments.

## Bosanski Petrovac

During the last two years, 600 Serbs returned to the Bosanski Petrovac Municipality. OBN crew from Banja Luka produced a report on the current situation of the returnees in Bosanski Petrovac and in the region. [UNHCR](#) and other international humanitarian organisations try to provide help for the

returnees.

## **Tuzla / Bijeljina**

This was followed by reports on the return process in Tuzla and Bijeljina municipalities. Inhabitants of the Glinje village in the RS, have been cleaning their houses for twenty days in order to get them ready for when they move in. Similar preparations have been going on in the Bijeljina Municipality.

## **Maglaj**

A report on de-mining activities in the Maglaj Municipality. The area is full of mine fields. Expert teams of the BiH Federation Army de-mine the area.

## **Mostar**

A piece on the living conditions for Serbs and Bosniaks who are returnees to the Hodbina village near Mostar. A year ago, returnees started coming back to their pre-war homes.

## **World**

A report on the meeting between the Israeli Prime Minister, Ehud Barak, and the Palestinian leader, Yasser Arafat, held in the Gaza area. The two leaders considered all aspects of the Middle East Peace Process. OBN journalist, Mladen Maric, produced a report on this.

## **Kosovo**

Political and religious leaders of Serbs in Kosovo decided to cancel their cooperation with KFOR and the [UN](#) Mission due to increased violence against Kosovo Serbs in the area. Today, the arrival of the Russian troops at Kosovo continues.

## **Sarajevo**

A report on the difficult situation of the BiH Federation pensioners. An average pension in the Federation is DEM 177.

The pensioners have not received their pensions for the last three months. OBN journalist, Sanjin Beciragic, researches who is responsible in the BiH Federation for the delay in payment of pensions.

### **Bijeljina / Brcko**

OBN reporters from Bijeljina and Brcko sent their reports about the harvest season in the Semberija area. Producers are satisfy with this year crops.

### **Una-Sana Canton**

A report on the development of animal farming in the Una-Sana Canton. The only problem is lack of funding. However, some of the goals of the Canton have been achieved due to credit from the FAR and IFAD programmes

### **Sport**

A report on the Formula One Race in Great Britain was followed by a report on the quarter final matches of the Latin American Cup.