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The High Representative in BiH, Wolfgang Petritsch, decided to ensure the implementation of the Dayton Peace Agreement on the whole territory of BiH. Today the High Representative dismissed the Minister of Justice in the Canton 10, Stipo Babic, due to the current, unsatisfactory situation in Drvar, Glamoc and Grahovo, especially regarding the minorities. The High Representative also appointed the new Mayor of the Drvar Municipality. Instead of Milo Marceta, the new Mayor is Momcilo Bajic from the Coalition for Drvar Party.

Headlines

- The US Congress member claims that corruption in BiH is so widely spread that even the money provided for the Srebrenica victims memorial has been misused
- Brussels – BiH will be the host of the round table meeting about security in the South East Europe
- Disputes between political parties in the BiH House of Peoples
- The BiH Council of Ministers discussed how to prevent black market trade
- Seventeen people killed in another explosion in Russia

Washington

The US Congress has initiated the establishment of an independent group of international investigators and judges in order to determine whether international donor money for BiH was used properly. Kemal Kurspahic reported from Washington for OBN.

Brussels

At the first inauguration meeting of the Stability Pact

members in Brussels, it was decided that the round table meeting about security in the South East Europe would be held in Sarajevo. All meetings regarding security will be held in BiH, between January 1st and June 30th next year. The report was produced by OBN journalist, Damir Kaletovic.

Sarajevo

A report on the interruption of the fifth session of the BiH Federation House of Peoples. However, the representatives succeeded to adopt laws on archive, payment operations and telecommunications in the BiH Federation before being interrupted by disputes between political parties. The report was produced by OBN reporter, Adis Saranovic.

This was followed by a report on the BiH Council of Ministers which agreed the text of the international agreement on the cooperation and mutual administrative help regarding customs duty. This should improve the development of the joint market in BiH, OBN reporter Sanjin Beciragic, confirmed.

World

A report on the fifth terrorist attack in Russia where 17 people were killed and more than 100 wounded was followed by reports on the terrorist attack in Forth Worth, the USA, the hurricane "Floyd", the current, difficult situation in East Timor and events in Algeria. This was followed by a report on Kosovo and new incidents in the area.

Tjesilo Village (Fojnica)

A report on finishing the reconstruction of 12 houses in the Tjesilo village in the Fojnica municipality. This was followed by a report on the village Kazijevici, 10 kilometers further, where a stable of returnees was burned.

Usora

Today USAID promoted two new projects from the programme for

municipality infrastructure and services – the water supply system in Usora and long-distance electric power transmission line in Dobož. The report was produced by OBN reporter from the area, Nela Kacmarcik.

Drvar

A report on the visit of the Chairman of the BiH Presidency and the President of the HDZ Party in BiH, Ante Jelavic, was produced by OBN reporter, Amarildo Gutic.

Bijeljina

A piece on the foreign exchange market in the RS was produced by OBN reporter from Bijeljina, Nikola Vlahovic.

This was followed by a report from Banja Luka on the pre-war foreign currency savings in the RS banks. People demand their money to be paid off.

Sarajevo

A report on the opening of an art exhibition in the “Collegium Artisticum” gallery in Sarajevo of the painter, Lojzet Spacal.

This was followed by a report on the International Day of the Ozone Layer Protection produced by OBN reporter, Sefko Bajic.

Sport

A report on the volleyball for disabled persons was followed by reports on the international football matches and athletics.