

OBN News Review, 18 October 1999

Headlines

- Jelavic, Izetbegovic and Radisic talked with Kucan and Drnovsek today
- Instead of General Meigs, new Commander of [SFOR](#) is the USA General Colonel, Ronald Emerson Adams
- Croatia postponed handing over of Mladen Naletilic (Tuta) to the Hague Tribunal
- Police discovered a group of juveniles who damaged tombstones in the Catholic graveyard in Travnik yesterday
- Topic of TV INFO: Information legislature in the RS

Ljubljana

Today, the BiH Presidency met with the highest representatives of Slovenia. They discussed strengthening of economic relations – change of goods and investment protection. The issue of the pre-war foreign exchange savings in the Ljubljana Bank in Sarajevo had been discussed as well. OBN reporter produced the report from Ljubljana.

Delegation of the BiH Foreign Ministry has gone to Russia in order to sign protocol on cooperation between two ministries. New premises of the BiH Embassy in Moscow will be opened.

Sarajevo

Experts of the BiH Agency for Investment Guarantee and the [World Bank](#) finalised two projects important for the investment protection. The first project should provide support to export companies. The second one deals with insurance against political crisis. This should protect foreign investment in BiH and improve BiH export activities. The report was produced

by OBN reporter, Anes Alic.

This was followed by a report on the announced general strike in the BiH Federation, scheduled for October 25th. The organizer of the strike is the BiH Independent Syndicate. OBN reporter, Amarildo Gutic, interviewed the BiH Prime Minister, Edhem Bicakcic.

This was followed by a report on the round table meeting of the association of BiH independent syndicates held in Sarajevo today. The association discussed rights of BiH workers. The conclusion of the meeting was that rights of workers had not been protected although BiH ratified international conventions on work organisation and employment. The Office of the High Representative initiated the meeting. OBN reporter, Sevko Bajic, produced the report.

World

The Republic of Croatia authorities postponed handing over of Mladen Naletilic (Tuta) to the Hague Tribunal today. The Minister of Justice, Zvonimir Separovic, explained that the decision had been reached due to bad health of the indicted for war crimes, Mladen Naletilic (Tuta), Goran Vezic confirmed from Zagreb for OBN.

This was followed by reports on a fire in Pristina and current events in China, Serbia, Montenegro, Pakistan, Chechenia and East Timor. OBN journalists, Gordana Frimel and Zeljka Lekic, produced the report. The three day meeting of the South East Europe Stability Pact began in Geneva today. The meeting deals with the issue of human rights.

Sarajevo

A report on the new Commander of [SFOR](#), the USA General Colonel, Ronald Emerson Adams. The Commander of [NATO](#) troops in Europe, General Wesley Clark, said that decrease of [SFOR](#) troops will not be directed with the time but the success on

the ground. The report was produced by OBN reporter, Vedran Persic.

Travnik

This was followed by a piece on a group of juveniles who damaged tombstones in the Catholic graveyard in Travnik yesterday. OBN reporter from the area, Ana Drmac, produced the report.

Vitez (Novaci)

A piece on twelve Bosniak families who have recently returned to the Novaci village near Vitez. The returnees are faced with the lack of elementary facilities necessary for normal life.

Prijedor

Festival of TV and radio journalism was organised in Prijedor. A report about freedom of media in RS was produced by, OBN reporter from the area, Milena Letic – Joves.

Sarajevo

This was followed by a report on the difficult conditions of the Department for Journalism at the Sarajevo University. The US Government provided \$120,000 for the three year project of cooperation between students from Sarajevo and the New Jersey University, OBN reporter, Slobodan Maksimovic, confirmed.

Banja Luka

A report on the celebration of 70th anniversary of the National Theatre in Banja Luka. The celebration will be held during this week.

Sport

A report on the Formula One was followed by a report on the European football matches.