# OBN News Review, 19 June 2000

#### **Headlines**

- The Federation Prime Minister, Edhem Bicakcic reacted to accusations of "Dnevni avaz" against him
- Employees of the company "Ziko" from Zavidovici continued their strike
- More than 130 citizens were illegally registered for the privatisation process in B&H
- The <u>ICTY</u> Prosecutor, Carla Del Ponte started her tour around Balkan

#### Drvar

Citizens' association "Lasta" informed OBN that the Serb policeman Ratko Sopic was killed in a shooting. Two Croat policemen were wounded. The suspect hasn't been arrested yet. "It's important to know that the crime wasn't ethnically motivated", said Stefo Lehmann, the IPTF Spokesman.

# Sarajevo

After accusations from "Dnevni avaz" about the attempt of 5 families to privatise the whole Federation, Mr. Bicakcic reacted by presenting accusations against the director of "Dnevni avaz". He said that he would demand justice when the Federation gets real judiciary. Reported by Amarildo Gutic.

#### Zavidovici

60 employees of the company "Zavidovici" have been on strike for 36 days. They blocked roads for the fourth time today, demanding fulfilment of their requests. "They demand 8 unpaid salaries. The situation is very difficult, and the company is not able to fulfil this request", said Seval Fergic, the Director of the Company. A new Administrative Board will be appointed in the next few days. The report was produced by

Muhamed Mujanovic.

#### Tuzla

Employees of the company "Tusko" in Tuzla are also on strike. They refuse to continue working without salaries, Sabina Dizdarevic confirmed from Tuzla.

### Sarajevo

More than 134 000 people were registered for the privatisation process in B&H so far. However, only 30% of work was completed, and deadlines for implementation of the privatisation process will probably be postponed again. Reported by Amarildo Gutic.

## Sarajevo

The spread of Q-fever continues among the cattle in the Federation of B&H. If it is not stopped soon, animals and people will be in danger of other diseases. The <u>EU</u> promised that they would donate money for stopping the disease, but the money hasn't arrived yet. OBN reporter Anes Alic produced the report.

#### World

In the British port of Dover, 58 bodies were found in a truck. They were probably illegal immigrants from Asia.

Leaders of <u>EU</u> countries started discussions in Portugal. The Portuguese Prime Minister said that he would start initiative for reduction of sanctions against Austria.

The <u>ICTY</u> main Prosecutor, Carla Del Ponte arrived to Skopje. She will also visit Montenegro, Kosovo and Croatia.

The Summit of 15 developing countries started in Cairo. The piece on world events was produced by Zeljka Lekic.

#### **Bratunac**

The agricultural co-operative "Poljoprivrednik" from Bratunac and the company "Frutex" from Celic signed a business contract. They will co-operate in gathering and production of raspberries. Muhamed Berbic produced the report.

## **Pelagicevo**

Farmers from Pelagicevo would like to live from their work. However, authorities didn't invest much in the development of agriculture so far. The process of reconstruction of infrastructure is very slow. Reported by Slobodanka Radojkovic.

## Sarajevo

Demining of the area around the Sarajevo airport started today. If the work is not completed by the deadline, the Sarajevo airport will be closed on 31st July. The US Government donated part of the money for the demining. The report was produced by Vedran Persic.

# **Tjentiste**

Sevko Bajic produced a piece on returnees in Tjentiste. Their biggest problem is the lack of construction materials.

# Sarajevo

The first debate competition on state level was organised today in Sarajevo, in the Second Grammar School. Pupils from the RS and the Federation participated at the competition. Reported by Mirna Sadikovic.

# Sport

Reports on international football, Formula I competition and NBA league were presented.