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Headlines

- James Perdew in Sarajevo
- Intellectuals of "Circle 99" think November 25 is the right date for national day of BiH
- New order for the refugee return issued by the Supervisor for Brcko, Robert Farrand
- Islamabad at least 20 people killed when two trains crashed
- The same number of people killed in an explosion which occurred in a factory in Thailand
- Strike in the textile factory "Sana" stopped which enables implementation of the new production contract
- Sarajevo opening of the first exhibition of mushrooms

Sarajevo

The member of the BiH Presidency, Alija Izetbegovic, met today with the deputies of the special US president envoy for the implementation of the Dayton Peace Agreement, Ambassadors James Perdew and Robert Frowick. The main issue of the talks was refugee return in BiH. The report was produced by OBN reporter, Damir Kaletovic.

This was followed by a report on the meeting of the independent intellectuals association "Circle 99", held today in Sarajevo. The participants discussed goals of the democratic alternative forces in the ex-Yugoslavian countries. The participants stressed that the only date which could be celebrated as the national day of BiH should be November 25th, OBN reporter, Sevko Bajic, confirmed.

Kosovo

KFOR announced that the signing of the agreement to establish a Kosovo Corps had been postponed until midnight when the deadline for disarmament of the Kosovo Liberation Army would expire. The report was produced by OBN journalist, Slobodan Maksimovic.

World

At least 20 people were killed and 70 wounded in the crash of two trains in Islamabad, Pakistan. This was followed by reports on an explosion in a fruit factory in Thailand, current events in East Timor, Russia, the USA and Slovenia. The report was produced by OBN journalist, Mladen Maric. This was followed by a report on the parliamentary elections in India and the violence in the country.

Brcko

The Supervisor for Brcko, Robert Farrand, issued a new order, cancelling out the previous one, on November 3rd last year. This relates to the return of non-Serb members of the municipality, administration and police structures to their pre-war homes. The Supervisor thinks that the old order has achieved its goal. OBN reporter from Brcko, Slobodanka Radojkovic, produced the report.

Bosanski Novi

A report on the strike in the textile factory "Sana which came to an end due to a new contract which the factory signed with the hospitals regarding the production of outfits for medical staff. The report was produced by OBN reporter from the area, Milena Letic — Joves.

Banja Luka

A piece on heating preparations in Banja Luka for the forthcoming winter season. OBN reporter from Banja Luka, Dragan Stanimirovic, produced the report.

Sarajevo

A report on the opening of the exhibition of mushrooms in Sarajevo was produced by OBN reporter, Anes Alic. More than 150 types of BiH forest mushrooms were presented at the show.

Banja Luka

This was followed by a report on the closing day of the International Show of Books in Banja Luka. The participants were presented with awards, OBN reporter from the town, Tatjana Lajsic, produced the report.

Sport

A report on the international handball tournament in Slovenia was followed by reports on the local and international football matches, international tennis matches and Formula 1.