

# OBN News Review, 27 August 1999

## Headlines

- [SFOR](#) started operation of destroying navy mines of the RS Army near Sokolac yesterday – within three days of the operation, 30 tons of explosive will be destroyed
- Seminar on military doctrine in Vienna, organised by [OSCE](#), continued after the arrest of the RS Army General Momir Talic
- RS Army Supreme Council decided to pass authorities of the General Talic on his deputy
- Start of development of the Brcko District Statute
- The USA Ambassador handed over the credentials to the Chairman of the BiH Presidency
- First transactions with certificates will start on September 23rd
- Mostar – Croatian party refused to sign an agreement on concrete measures regarding joint institutions of the town
- Topic of TV INFO – Life of Bosniaks in Banja Luka

## Vienna

Although the RS delegation had left Vienna and seminar on military doctrine for BiH, the Federal delegation stayed until the end of the seminar. The Federal delegation reached common ground which will be presented to the RS Defence Minister and the RS military heads later on. The report was produced by OBN reporter from Vienna, Vedran Persic.

## Banja Luka

At the session held today in Banja Luka, the RS Army Supreme Council condemned the arrest of the General Momir Talic and decided to pass authorities, for the time being, on his

deputy, Valentina Knezevic, OBN reporter from Banja Luka, confirmed.

## **Kosovo**

The Spokesman of the Hague Tribunal Prosecutor said that more than 400 locations, where crime was committed, were found in Kosovo. Kosovo Albanians from Orahovac continued blockade of the town in order to prevent deployment of Russian troops in the area. OBN journalist, Gordana Frimel, produced the report.

## **Sarajevo**

The USA Ambassador, Thomas Miller, handed over the credentials to the Chairman of the BiH Presidency, Ante Jelavic, today. The report was produced by OBN reporter, Adis Saranovic.

## **Mostar**

Representatives of the HDZ in the town council of Mostar, refused last night to sign an agreement which included concrete measures regarding improvement of functioning of the joint institutions of the town. The measures were suggested by the International Mediator for the BiH Federation and RS, Christian Schwarz Schilling, representatives of the International Community, the Town Council and political parties. The report was produced by OBN reporter from Mostar, Ines Kajic.

## **Brcko**

The International Supervisor for Brcko, Robert Farrand, announced that preparations for the revision of legislation for the Brcko District and development of the District Statute started, OBN reporter from Brcko, Slobodanka Radojkovic, confirmed.

## **Banja Luka**

A report on 150 Bosniaks who currently live in Banja Luka.

They were expelled from their homes during the war and live in difficult conditions.

## **Sarajevo**

Delegation of the Sarajevo citizens visited marketplace "Markale" where four years ago 43 people killed due to only one shell launched from the Serb Army post in Mrkovici.

## **Turkey**

A report on 26 fire officers from Sarajevo who finished their task of providing help to the victims of the disastrous earthquake in Turkey. The report was produced by OBN reporter from Turkey, Amarildo Gutic.

This was followed by reports on current events in Turkey, Russia, East Timor.

## **Sarajevo**

A report on the first transactions with certificates that will start on September 23rd. Good news are that the Federal Agency for Privatisation opened its office in Banja Luka.

## **Tuzla**

A report on continuation of investigation of some allegations from The New York Times article about corruption in the Tuzla Canton. This time, OBN reporter from the area, researched allegations that schools in the Tuzla Canton were painted several times during the last year.

## **Banja Luka**

The RS Government reiterated that the school directors and teachers who participate in the strike announced for September 1st, will be dismissed.

## **Sarajevo**

A report on the tenth day of the Sarajevo Film Festival. Ten films were shown.

## **Sport**

A report on the International Athletic Championship was followed by reports on WNBA matches and tennis tournament in New York.