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Headlines

- At the Winter Festival of the Waters in Berkeley Springs, "Oaza" from Tesanj was, for the second time, declared to be the best mineral water.
- Today's "Sunday Times" warns about the danger of renewal of the Kosovo conflict
- "Pobjeda" from Podgorica reports on placing Serbian artillery at the border crossing of Bozaj.
- French President Jacques Chirac warns his Prime Minister not to interfere in foreign politics
- Lack of fuel in Federation B&H

Kosovo

According to the "Sunday Times" from London, the KLA plans to attack certain areas in Serbia. A police control point was attacked last night on the border between Kosovo and Serbia. One policeman was killed, as well as one of the attackers. George Robertson demands that police forces be sent to Kosovo to stabilise the region. "Pobjeda" from Podgorica claims that the Yugoslav army sent its forces to the border crossing at Bozaj. The report was produced by OBN reporter Adis Saranovic.

Sandzak

Political parties from Sandzak demand those responsible for kidnapping 20 passengers from a train on the route between Belgrade and Bar that took place 7 years ago, to appear at court. The fate of the passengers remains unknown. It was requested that the international community and <u>ICTY</u> take part in this case.

Sarajevo

Owners of private petrol stations decided to close them. They requested the government to reduce taxes or to introduce higher prices of fuel, but their requests were not granted. Therefore, there is a lack of fuel in Federation B&H, and people already feel the consequences. The report was produced by OBN reporter Anes Alic.

Banja Luka

The Socialist Party of RS confirmed their decision to leave the Coalition Sloga, after their meeting behind closed doors. Reported by Natasa Ratkovic.

Sarajevo

Most of the young people in Sarajevo will not vote at the Municipal elections that will take place in April. Only those who are members of political parties intend to vote and hope that the elections might change something. The report was produced by OBN reporter Damir Kaletovic.

Sarajevo

At today's session of "Circle 99" it was emphasised that many religious institutions in B&H misuse their freedom of actions. There are various examples which testify to their manipulations of religious feelings. The report produced by Sevko Bajic.

Zagreb

The new Croatian government made a lot of promises during the election campaign. But problems already appear in their fulfilment. Quarrels between President Stipe Mesic and his Prime Minister testify that the new government do not run their policy in the best possible way. Reported by Gordana Simonovic from Zagreb.

World

The representative of the Council of Europe went to Cecenia in order to investigate the claims regarding the responsibility of the Russian army for atrocities.

French President Jacques Chirac warned his Prime Minister not to interfere in foreign politics, and sheik Naim Kasem proclaimed the French Prime Minister to be "persona non grata" in Southern Lebanon. The report was produced by Adis Saranovic.

Banja Luka

Citizens of the suburb of Ada in Banja Luka protested because of the decision of local authorities to build a graveyard in that area. But the authorities say that this decision is final. Reported by Igor Pozgan.

Brcko

A piece on USAID projects for municipal infrastructure in Brcko was produced by Slobodanka Radojkovic.

Sport

Reports on international athletic and skiing competitions, as well as local football were produced.