

# OBN News Review, 28 October 2000

## Headlines

- Local elections took place in Kosovo; Serbs boycotted the elections
- B&H Croats will organise a referendum on 11th November
- The B&H Security Alliance will join [NATO](#) in Brussels tomorrow
- 747 employees of the company "Aluminijum" in Mostar were fired
- 50 people were massacred in the Ivory Coast
- The B&H sitting volleyball team won a silver medal at the Para Olympic Games in Sydney

## Kosovo

Elections took place in Kosovo, organised by the [OSCE](#). Serbs boycotted the elections. About 1500 internationals are observing the elections. Yugoslavia demanded membership of the [UN](#) again, Gordana Frimel reported.

## Novi Travnik

The Croat National Assembly was founded today in Novi Travnik. The HDZ Chairman, Ante Jelavic has been appointed as the Assembly Chairman. They scheduled Croat referendum in B&H on 11th November. Reported by Ana Drmac.

## Sarajevo

B&H will be the only country without unified Army, whose Security Alliance will be a member of the Partnership for Peace, Sanjin Beciragic reported.

## World

4 people died and 19 are missing after a typhoon in the Philippines.

A mass graveyard was discovered near the Capital of Ivory Coast. Investigation is underway.

Clashes between Israelis and Palestinians in Gaza continued. The US President, Bill Clinton warned that peace negotiations could not continue until the clashes are stopped. Gordana Frimel reported on world events.

## **Sarajevo**

2-day Regional Conference of the B&H "P.E.N." Centre ended today. Intellectuals from all parts of the world gathered, advocating free intellectual debate on writers' problems, protection of their rights and promotion of literature, Meliha Hasanbegovic reported.

## **Banja Luka**

Employees of the RS Railways organised a strike, demanding improvement of their status and traffic security. Nedeljka Breberina produced the report.

## **Mostar**

747 employees of the company "Aluminijum" in Mostar have been waiting for 8 years to go back to their jobs. They have received notice letters these days. "Ethnic cleansing is currently taking place in the company. We will address the Human Rights Chamber, because we believe that the truth will eventually be revealed", said member of the company Union, Milan Jovicic. Alisa Dzebo produced the report.

## **Banja Luka**

Funeral of bodies of 450 unidentified war victims, soldiers and civilians took place in Banja Luka. The RS Government proclaimed 30th October as the Day of Mourn, Milorad Milojevic

reported.

## **Sarajevo**

Citizens' associations "Moja Zemlja" and "NK Omladinac" organised a meeting with NGO representatives. One of the themes of the meeting was refugee return. Reported by Svjetlana Celic.

## **Sport**

Reports on the Para-Olympics in Sydney, international football and world motor cycling championship in Australia were presented.

## **Vranjevici**

Cherries appeared on a cherry tree in the village of Visnjevici, near Blagaj. Older citizens say that they are messengers of a hard and sharp winter, Enes Ratkusic reported.