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Headlines

- The SNS Assembly voted non-confidence in the former Chairman, Biljana Plavsic
- The General Collective Contract was put in force today
- Why B&H might lose DM225 million from the World Bank?
- Clinton and Putin signed an agreement on destruction of large quantity of radioactive plutonium

Banja Luka

The SNS Assembly voted non-confidence in the former Chairman, Biljana Plavsic. 129 delegates voted against her. The new Chairman is Dragan Kostic. Reported by Biljana Arsic.

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At the Secong Congress of the Socialist Party, Zivko Radisic was re-elected as the Chairman of the party. Petar Dokic was appointed as his deputy. This was the third political defeat of Radisic's competitor, Tihomir Gligoric. The new leadership will resign, if the party wins small number of votes on the forthcoming general elections. The report was produced by Milorad Milojevic.

Moscow

American and Russian presidents, Bill Clinton and Vladimir Putin signed an agreement on destruction of large quantity of radioactive plutonium. The two countries will destroy 34 tones of plutonium each. The unprecedented agreement bounds the USA and Russia to continue their co-operation. "A new, joint information centre will be opened in Mocsow. Experts from both countries will work there together", Mr Clinton said. He will adress the Russian House of Commons tomorrow. OBN reporter Adis Saranovic produced the report.

World

The US Secretary of State, Madeline Albright officially opened the new US Embassy in Moscow.

Chinese authorities continued arrests of a prohibited Democratic Party members.

The British Government ordered retreat of 500 British soldiers from Northern Ireland.

A Spanish politician was killled near Bilbao.

2 people died and 17 were injured in a train accident in France.

In a collision of two trains in Italy 5 people died and one person was injured.

The piece on world events was produced by Adis Saranovic.

Sarajevo

Another "Circle 99" session took place today. The main theme was the future of Balkan. The former Bulgarian President, Zeljo Zelev attended the session. He will visit Croatia tomorrow, where he will present the idea on co-operation between Balkan countries. Reported by Slobodan Maksimovic.

Sarajevo

The World Bank project worth DM 225 million for transformation of B&H power supply system, was postponed. The "Elektroprivreda B&H" should transform into precisely defined fields: production, distribution and power transmission. "The World Bank decided to wait until the RS accepts the agreed principles", said the B&H Minister of Trade, Mirsad Kurtovic. Reported by Sanjin Beciragic.

Sarajevo

The Union accepted compromises with the Federal Government and the OHR for the General Colllective Contract. Despite numerous workers' protests, the Union President, Sulejman Hrle was satisfied with the Contract. Reported by Amarildo Gutic.

Sarajevo

The OSCE feels that the results of the April elections are implemented faster than before. 85 municipality heads were appointed. "In general, we are satisfied with implementation of the election results", said Tanya Domi, the OSCE Spokesperson. The OSCE organised training for newly appointed municipality heads. Reported by Anes Alic.

Banovici

From 1947-1990, a land was taken from its owners for the needs of the "Banovici" coal mine. There are many citizens' objections because of numerous irregularities in the land distribution. The report was produced by Damir Kaletovic.

Mostar

The International Art Colony was opened todayin Pocitelj. Works of 50 artists will be presented at the Colony. Reported by Semsudin Serdarevic.

Sarajevo

The World Day of Environmental Protection will be marked tomorrow. Meliha Hasanbegovic produced a piece on the B&H Afforestation Movement.

Sport

Reports on a junior athletic meeting that took place in Sarajevo today, Formula I competition and NBA league were presented.