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Headlines

- The High Representative, Wolfgang Petritsch visited the Hague
- Yugoslavia – opposition continues with strikes; tensions are increasing
- A contract on social insurance was signed between Croatia and B&H
- Special US Envoy for the forthcoming elections in B&H, Robert Frowick visited Banja Luka

Sarajevo

The Main ICTY Prosecutor, Carla Del Ponte met women of Srebrenica today. According to estimates, about 4000 bodies have been exhumed so far, and a large number of people are missing. Reported by Sanjin Beciragic.

Sarajevo

"No indicted war criminal was arrested for three months, and I am deeply disappointed", Ms Carla Del Ponte said. Ms. Del Ponte and her Deputy met the Canton Prosecutor in Sarajevo. "All indicted war criminals should be arrested, and that can only happen if national courts participate in bringing perpetrators to justice", the Deputy Main Prosecutor,Graham Blewit said. "I am worried because of possible spread of the crisis in Yugoslavia to B&H", the High Representative, Wolfgang Petritsch said in the Hague. Reported by Vedran Persic.

Yugoslavia

Strikes and opposition protests in Serbia continue, due to non-acceptance of citizens' election will. Russia calls for

western countries not to put pressure against Belgrade.

Both US presidential candidates feel that the US should not use force against Slobodan Milosevic at the moment. The report was produced by Gordana Frimel.

Zagreb

The third session of the Inter-state Council for co-operation between B&H and Croatia took place in Zagreb. A contract on social insurance was signed at the session. It should be implemented in the beginning of the next year. Reported by Zeljka Lekic from Zagreb.

Sarajevo

The Federal Parliament House of Representatives stopped their session today, due to the lack of quorum. A Law on veterinary medicine was adopted, as well as several law proposals, Anes Alic reported.

Banja Luka

Special US Envoy for the forthcoming elections in B&H, Robert Frowick met the RS Prime Minister, Milorad Dodik in Banja Luka. They discussed the current situation in the RS and conditions for the November elections. The report was produced by Igor Pozgaj.

Sarajevo

The Federation Prime Minister, Edhem Bicakcic met management of small and medium enterprises in Sarajevo and Gorazde cantons. Representatives of several ministries, Tax Administration and the Federal Investment Bank also attended the meeting. There were no concrete results after the meeting. Amarildo Gutic produced the report.

Mostar

The company “Aluminij” in Mostar is the most successful in B&H. However, the company has numerous problems with employees, mainly Bosniacs who are on waiting lists. “We will fully respect the Labour Law. We will pay compensation, and the treatment will be the same for all employees, regardless of their nationality”, the General Director of “Aluminij”, Mijo Brajkovic said. Reported by Vanja Elezovic.

Sarajevo

The RS Commission for Missing Persons have been digging in the area of Sarajevo (Dobrinja and Alipasino polje), on the basis of witnesses’ testimonies. No bodies were found so far. Reported by Sevko Bajic.

Banja Luka

The RS Ministry of Internal Affairs organised a press conference today, informing the public about their recent activities.

Sport

Reports on local football and basketball were presented.