

# OBN News Review, 5 February 2000

## Headlines

- Austria – demonstrations after the entering of extreme right-wing party into the Government
- Kosovo – new wave of violence
- Sarajevo – SDP party and the Law on the Council of Ministers
- Topic of TV INFO – crime in Bosnia and Herzegovina

## World

During the night, big protests have been continued in Austria after the new Federal Government took an oath. More than 50 individuals were injured in the center of Vienna. After the establishment of the new Government, the European Union imposed previously announced sanctions. This means that all 14 members of the Union have stopped their diplomatic relations with Austria. The sanctions have already created some results since the heads of the coalition parties in the Austrian Government have signed a document on human rights. This was followed by reports on the current events in Chechenia and escalation of violence in Kosovo. The report on current events in the world was produced by OBN reporter, Gordana Frimel.

## Sarajevo

The Club of the SDP party representatives has submitted a Draft Law on the BiH Council of Ministers to the Representative House of the BiH Parliamentary Assembly. The SDP party expressed its concern because of the constitutional crisis caused by the lack of implementation of the BiH Constitutional Court decisions on the Constitutional Court functioning, OBN reporter, Sanjin Beciragic, confirmed.

## **Topic of TV INFO – Crime in Bosnia and Herzegovina**

### **Tuzla**

The Tuzla Canton is among those cantons in the BiH Federation with the lowest crime rate. The Ministry of Internal Affairs confirmed that the last year was very positive in that respect. The report was produced by OBN reporter from Tuzla, Djuro Skondric.

### **Bijeljina**

A number of crime acts in Bijeljina recorded in January this year has increased in comparison to the same month last year. However, the authorities have been satisfied with the percentage of solving of the cases, OBN reporter from Bijeljina, Zeljko Pantelic, confirmed.

### **Travnik**

The security situation in the Srednja-Bosna Canton is still dissatisfying and very complicated. A number of unsolved cases of terrorism have been recorded in the area, and the results of the investigation team have been poor. In the last three years, six cases of explosions have been recorded. The report was produced by OBN reporter, Damir Kaletovic.

### **Sarajevo**

This was followed by an analysis of crime rate in the Sarajevo area. In the Sarajevo Canton, the crime rate has been the same for the last several years and it is between 4,500 and 5,500 crime cases. The police solve some 70% of cases in average. An increase of bomb attacks have been recorded. The report was produced by OBN reporter, Anes Alic.

### **Kiseljak**

Six years had passed since the clash between Croats and Bosniaks. However, the process of return in the area has been

progressing slowly. An example of obstruction of the process of return was presented. In the Bilalovac village near Kiseljka, the house of Rafael Bosnjak, from which a Bosniak refugee has just moved out, was burned down. The report was produced by OBN reporter from the area, Vanja Elezovic.

### **Bosanska Krupa**

Some 873 thousand of displaced persons in Bosnia and Herzegovina have been waiting to return their homes. Among them are the Serb citizens from the Bosanska Krupa Municipality. Some 755 applications for return have been submitted to date, OBN reporter from the area, Kenan Alagic, confirmed.

### **Sarajevo**

The Chamber of Lawyers from Mostar suggested to the BiH Federation Ministry of Justice that graduated lawyers should get a title of a doctor of science. Chambers of lawyers from other towns supported the initiative, OBN reporter, Amarildo Gutic, confirmed.

### **Hungary**

A piece on the Szigetvar town near the Hungarian border was produced by OBN reporter, Slobodan Maksimovic. A statement of the Mayor was presented.

### **Mostar**

This was followed by an item on the initiative conducted in the town of Mostar under the title "Let's Return Life to Bulevar". The goal of the action is to return the old look to this residential quarter. The Government of Holland provided funds for the reconstruction of light in Bulevar. The report was produced by Alisa Dzebo from Mostar.

### **Banja Luka**

An organisation of the highly intelligent people, "MENSA YU", will organise the first testing in Banja Luka on February 7th. The goal of testing is to select those who could help solving problems in the fields of peace, education, psychology and ethic in the world. The report was produced by OBN reporter from Banja Luka, Nedeljka Breberina.

## **Sport**

A piece on skiing was followed by reports on international tennis and NBA.