

# OBN News Review, 7 May 1999

## Headlines

- In today's bombing at least 10 persons killed in Nis
- American Congress approved 13 million dollars for military actions in the Balkans
- Members of BiH Presidency held discussion with [UN](#) High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mary Robinson
- Executive Director of the [World Bank](#) in two-days visit to BiH
- Extraordinary session of the Federal Parliament House of Peoples held

## Yugoslavia

Even if bad weather conditions in Yugoslavia limited [NATO](#) strikes, it did not stop Serbian Military Forces from continuing military operations in Kosovo. In today's bombing 10 persons at least were killed in Nis. OBN's reporter from Belgrade, Natasa Narancic, reports that the severest strikes during the previous night were in the airport, industrial area and other places. She also reported that four persons were injured during the strike on a private house in Nis. According to the report from the Clinics 30 persons were injured, too. Another target of the strikes was transmitter of TV Serbia and the airport near Pristina. The railway bridge was damaged on the international railway Belgrade-Temishvar.

Military [NATO](#) Spokesman, Walter Jertz, confirmed that civil subjects were not [NATO](#) targets.

According to the [UNHCR](#) report, Macedonian border with Yugoslavia still is closed for Kosovo refugees.

## Kosovo-reactions

After the G-8 countries Foreign Ministers' meeting, it was

announced that the [NATO](#) air campaign continues. Milosevic must comply agreement made in Bonn. Meantime, The American Congress approved additional money for operations in the Balkans.

## **Sarajevo**

Members of BiH Presidency, Zivko Radisic and Alija Izetbegovic discussed with [UN](#) High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mary Robinson on human rights issues in BiH. Also, she has met the ombudsman in BiH and she was satisfied by their work.

## **Sarajevo**

[World Bank](#) Executive Director made a two days' long visit to Bosnia and Herzegovina referring to the following Donors Conference and crises in the region. He had a meeting with Co-presidents of the BiH Ministry Council Haris Silajdzic and Neven Tomic. Next meeting was planned with Co-President Svetozar Mihajlovic in Banja Luka.

## **BiH**

A piece on the return of the President of the Republika Srpska, Milorad Dodik from the Yugoslav border. As he said nobody mistreated him at the Serbian border area.

At today's consultative meeting in Banja Luka it was agreed that representatives from Republika Srpska would assist in the further sessions of both Parliament Houses.

Parliament representatives made the decision to approve the special relationship between Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia.

## **Tuzla**

A piece on the press conference held by the ex Interior Minister of the Tuzla Canton, Ferid Hodzic, recently dismissed by the High Representative.

## **Federation BiH**

Twenty four technicians in criminology completed their training, which was donated by USA Government.

## **The Hague Tribunal**

Even if he was accused for war crimes, the Hague Tribunal decided to release Bosnian Croat who handled by prisons in Central Bosnia, Zlatko Aleksovski. Judges concluded that he was not guilty for breking the rules of Geneva's Convention.

## **BiH – Certificates**

Certificates for privatization process were printed today. Deadline to correct eventual mistakes would be 30 days after receiving these certificates. Who would take responsibility for these incorrect certificates that would make a lot of problems in the privatization process, particularly to refugees, asked OBN's reporter Sanjin Beciragic.

## **Sarajevo**

Representatives of both the Ministries for Refugees and Social Politics from the Federation BiH and the Republika Srpska have met each other today to exchange the data on refugees in these entities.

## **Brcko**

Supervisor for Brcko announced his assistance at the Donors' Conference. He also said that he expects aid for Brcko particularly from this Conference.

According to the OBN's reporter Slobodanka Radojkovic report, there are 670.000 unemployed people in Brcko, which is a great problem in the region.

## **Una-Sana Canton – Cazin**

Production of berrylike fruits will be stable financial source

for 300 families in the region. Realization of this project started this Summer.

### **Travnik**

Project connected to the placement of women in society assembled all active women and representatives of [UN](#) governmental organizations from seven Bosnian Cantons.

### **Tuzla**

Representatives of all Bosnian Universities took part in the round table on the education of the educators in BiH issue. This discussed simplifying educational plans and programs and the current educative-teaching process.

### **Sarajevo**

39th Festival of Amateur Movies will be opened on May 7th and will last for three days.

Sarajevo Philharmonic Orchestra prepares for concert on the occasion of Europe Day.

### **Sport**

Announcements for local basketball matches and NBA Play Off and a report from the world championship in hockey in Norway.