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Headlines

- “Withdrawal of international financial aid for B&H would be counter-productive”, the US Ambassador, Thomas Miller said
- 65 people died in a car accident in China
- Clashes between Protestants and Catholics in Northern Ireland continue
- Theme of TV INFO: what is the fate of 50 public enterprises in Brcko District?

Sarajevo

The US Ambassador, Thomas Miller was a guest at a session of “Circle 99” today. He said that withdrawal of international aid for B&H would damage democracy development, refugee return and freedom of the media. Reported by Vedran Persic.

Sarajevo

According to an OSCE report, 36 cases of the Human Rights Chamber did not get support from local authorities. As for the Garaplija case, Ms. Seada Palavric said: “Mr. Garaplija has his rights, and the Chamber is obliged to protect them”. The deadline for implementation of the Chamber’s decision on foreign currency saving expired today. This is another example of slow implementation of decisions of the Chamber. The report was produced by Sanjin Beciragic.

World

The Croatian, Slovenian and Czech presidents will meet the Montenegrin President, Milo Dukanovic on Tuesday, in Dubrovnik.

65 people died in a car accident in China.

Israeli soldiers killed a Palestinian woman and wounded 5 people in Gaza. The soldiers apologised for the “tragic mistake”.

Negotiations between Israel and Palestine should take place in Camp David.

Pope John Paul II condemned the homosexual march in Rome. OBN journalist Mladen Maric produced the piece on world events.

Brussels

A session of the Council of EU Foreign Ministers will take place tomorrow. One of the main issues on the agenda will be the security situation in the Balkans. They will also discuss a proposal on liberalisation of trade with countries in the Balkans. Reported by Zeljka Lekic.

Brcko

Slobodanka Radojkovic reported on a difficult situation for public companies in Brcko. “All we need is a secure market”, said the General Director of the company “Interplet”, Radoslav Bogicevic. The District authorities said that they would not help public companies from their budget. “The OHR expects an economic expert for capital investments. He will enable foreign companies to come and invest here”, said Gary Matthews, the Brcko Supervisor.

Trebinje

Sinisa Jokic produced a piece on return of Bosniacs in Trebinje and Nevesinje.

Bijeljina

The wheat harvest in Bijeljina is almost completed. The quality of wheat is very high this year. Producers are satisfied with the prices of wheat. Reported by Aleksandra Zdravkovic.

Prijedor

The 7th RS Theatre Festival ended last night in Prijedor. The performance “Balkan-Pitsburg” was awarded as the best performance this year.

Sport

Reports on local boxing, the”Tour d France” and international football were presented.