# OHR BiH Media Round-up, 21/9/2005

**Latest radio news broadcast at 12.00 on 21 September**

| **RADIO HERCEG-BOSNA** (12,00 hrs) | **BH Radio 1** (12,00 hrs) | **RTRS** (12,00 hrs) |
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| Possible removal of Paravac | Media on possible Paravac removal | Catholic Church versus del Ponte |
| Bukejlovic on possible sanctions | RS PM does not expect sanctions | Rycroft's int. to NN |
| ZG bomb update | HR to hold press conference on THU | Bijeljina Court update |

**TV news broadcast on 20 September**

| **RADIO HERCEG-BOSNA** (18,00 hrs) | **TV PINK** (18,00 hrs) | **BHT 1** (19,00 hrs) |
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| UK embassy bomber arrested | Meningitis epidemic in Tuzla Canton | Meningitis epidemic in Tuzla |
| Del Ponte: Vatican aids war suspect | Carty's letter to Matijasevic | Embassy employee planted explosive |
| Raca border crossing opened | Lukic pleads not guilty | Property dispute in Kotorsko |
| Vc construction to start in Croatia | Momir Glisic released | Border crossing Raca opened |

| **NTV Hayat** (19,00 hrs) | **FTV** (19,30 hrs) | **RTRS** (19,30 hrs) |
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| Nine years old boy raped in Mostar | Paravac to be dismissed | Sredoje Lukic plead not guilty |
| Meningitis epidemic in Tuzla | Polic and Obhodjas to be dismissed | Terzic in New York with EU Troika |

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| Sredoje Lukic pleaded not guilty | Pandurevic's verdict confirmed | No RS authorities on Raca ceremony |
| Momir Glisic acquitted of charges | Milosevic's trial, update | Illegal house demolished in Kotorsko |

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| **Oslobodjenje** | Belgrade called generals McKenzie and Rose to testify |
| **Dnevni Avaz** | How will Ashdown punish DA? |
| **Dnevni List** | Damir Rovisan planted the bomb (update to explosion at UK embassy in Zagreb) |
| **Vecernji List** | Vatican protects Gotovina (Del Ponte says Catholic Church in Croatia is hiding Gotovina) |
| **Slobodna Dalmacija** | Wolfs at threshold (Wolfs appearing in Kupres area) |
| **Nezavisne Novine** | Demolition of houses continued |
| **Glas Srpske** | Osama was financing the war |
| **EuroBlic** | Faster over the border, customs officers are pleased |
| **Vecernje novosti** | Features Serbian related titles |
| **Srpski Nacional** | Features Serbian related titles |

## LATEST NEWS OF TODAY

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| Matijasevic replies to Butler saying he will not submit the report demanded | **RTRS** – RS MoI issued statement which says that **Darko Matiajsevic,** RS Interior Minister, sent a response to **Lawrence Butler**, PDHR, related to the letter addressed to Matijasevic on 16 September [Butler expressed concern over possible mixing of policing and politics after RS MoI held press conference on 9 September disclosing details related to the investigations on war crimes committed against Serbs]. Matijasevic wrote: "*I am of the view there is no need for you to express concern over this press conference, any other element of intention or cheap politics or timing of the conference. This Ministry has its legal framework, plan and dynamics of how activities, including press conferences, are planned…*" He claims that the issue of the RS MoI's cooperation with the ICTY has been grounded on legal provisions. **SRNA** – Matijasevic also replied to Butler saying he ( Butler ) will not receive the report in question, because it is only the RS Government and RSNA that are entitled to receive such report. |
| RS PM Bukejlovic does not expect sanctions against the entity | **RHB, RTRS** – RS Prime Minister **Pero Bukejlovic** said he had no information RS might be sanctioned over police reform talks failure. Such a thing would be bad since urgent activities are underway to make a police reform proposal that would be acceptable for all parties in BiH, according to Bukejlovic. |

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| Issue of appointments in FBiH Government | **BH Radio 1** – Following consent by FBiH Vice-president **Sahbaz Dzihanovic** on appointment of **Zahid Crnkic** and **Vjekoslav Mandic** to vacant ministerial posts in FBiH Government, FBiH President **Niko Lozancic** today sent a letter to the FBiH Parliament informing them on acceptance of resignations submitted by **Ibrahim Nadarevic** and **Tomo Lucic**. |

| **Follow up to failure of police reform** |
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| DA speculates: 'How will Ashdown punish RS?' | **Dnevni Avaz**, front pg splash 'How will Ashdown punish RS?' and pg 2 'Will Ashdown announce sanctions?', by S. Numanovic – Avaz reports that the HR, **Paddy Ashdown**, should be announcing at press conference on Thursday what the IC plans to do after the police reform talks have failed. The daily notes that the OHR has been in last couple of days finalizing details of the press conference, namely who is going to take part and who will say what. Beside HR Ashdown, it is expected that either the Chief of EC delegation to BiH, **Michael Humphreys**, or the UK Ambassador to BiH, **Matthew Rycroft**, in the capacity of country presiding over the EU, take part in the press conference. There are some talks about participation of the US Ambassador, EUFOR commander, OSCE chief of mission and NATO commander at the press conference. According to little information Avaz is in possession of, it is possible that a list of people who are banned from entering the US and EU gets extended, and sanctions get imposed on the two ruling parties in the RS Government, namely the SDS and PDP. In that context, DA reminds that HR Ashdown has pointed the finger for police talks failure at the RS PM, **Pero Bukejlovic**, and ministers **Svetlana Cenic** and **Darko Matijasevic**. DA underlines it is especially interesting what happens to Matijasevic, given that he has been 'yellow carded' twice, by HR Ashdown and EUPM Commissioner **Kevin Carty**, in form of letters. Finally, Avaz wonders what's going to happen to the BiH Presidency member, **Borislav Paravac**, regarding his violation of HR's decision. Inset 'Criminal in SDS' reads that it would be surprise if the IC decided to ban the SDS because there is no unity within the EU, especially in the PIC about the issue. Allegedly, it is not only Russia that opposes this. **RTRS** also carries announcement of the HR's press conference. |

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| FTV: Ashdown will dismiss Paravac | **FTV, Oslobodjenje** pg 2'OHR will replace Paravac?' by FTV, **Dnevni List**, pg 2 'Removal of Borislav Paravac today', by FTV, **Slobodna Dalmacija**, back pg 'removal of member of BiH Presidency Borislav Paravac is being prepared?', by H– According to FTV sources, BiH Presidency member **Borislav Paravac** will soon be dismissed. The OHR has allegedly already made a decision on his dismissal. He will apparently be informed on the decision on Wednesday. In addition, OHR would apparently also dismiss **Nedzad Polic**, Zenica-Doboj Cantonal Prime MInister and **Salko Obhodjas**, Podrinje Canton Prime Minister. They have allegedly gave false information regarding the usage of housing units in certain period, and OHR has informed SDA about this. |

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| Raca border crossing ceremony without RS reps: Silent sanctions against RS? | **Hayat, BHT 1, Oslobodjenje** pg 2 'Who did [not] invite RS delegation?', **Dnevni Avaz**, pg 4 'Raca border crossing ceremoniously opened yesterday', by E. M, **Dnevni List**, pg 2 'Serb officials did not attend opening ceremony', by Tanja Dragic**, Nezavisne Novine** pg 2, announced on cover 'Raca border crossing point was opened', inset 'RS Government representatives did not attend', by Z. Kusmuk– Third newly built border crossing in BiH, Raca near Bijeljina, was formally opened on Tuesday. The project, worth 11. 5 million KM was mostly financed by the EC. **RTRS** by Svjetlana Markovic – While BiH CoM, EC and ITA representatives have took part in the ceremony, no RS officials was present after announcing they were not included in the official protocol and their invitations were sent in Croat instead in Serb language. RS Minister of Finance **Svetlana Cenic** sees this avoidance of RS officials in the protocol as a sanction against RS authorities regarding failure of police reform. EC delegation denied the accusations by Cenic, expressing regret she didn't appear. "*I cannot see what kind of sanction this is, as I already said this is the State border crossing, the State project, which means it is appropriate that someone from the State level open it.*" stated Maroevic. **FTV–** "*We are disappointed with the fact that they refused to come since this is a great project, which is of importance for the whole BiH*", said EC spokesperson, **Frane Maroevic**. **EuroBlic** cover pg splash and pg RS1 'Faster over the border, customs officers are pleased', inset 'Causevic: I would have had invited RS Government representatives', by Ljubo Ljubojevic – Causevic said he did not want to comment the fact RS representatives did not attend the ceremony and added: '*It is known who had financed this facility and who had created the protocol – it was EC in BiH*'. |

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| BHT 1 also speculates: silent sanctions against RS have already started, Analysts: HR cannot again dismiss officials | **BHT 1** by Boris Gagic – BHT speculates that "silent sanctions" are imposed on RS politicians, after they failed to accept the police reform proposal. According to BHT reporter, many things speak in favour of this statement: OHR criticizing BiH Presidency member **Borislav Paravac** and RS Minister of Interior **Darko Matijasevic**, problems BiH Minister of Foreign Affairs **Mladen Ivanic** has in New York where EU reps do not want to talk to him, RS representatives not participating in the ceremony of opening the border crossing Raca, and so on… "*Sanction will surely be imposed, and what RS citizens should fear the most are the economic sanctions*", Head of the SDA Caucus in the RS National Assembly **Tarik Sadovic** said on Tuesday. While nobody is mentioning the economic sanctions yet, possible political sanctions are something everybody is fully aware of, stated BHT reporter. Although HR in BiH has already dismissed several RS politicians, analysts now believe that he will not be able to do the same thing now – which will make SDS happy. "*You will have to ask **Paddy Ashdown** and OHR if they intend to remove some SDS politicians. As far as we are concerned, we will continue presenting out positions*", said SDS' member **Borislav Bojic**. RS opposition parties are also against new dismissals, but because of a different reason: "*We believe that such punishment will simply bring those ruined political parties back to life*", said SNSD member **Nebojsa Radmanovic**. **Dnevni Avaz** pg 2 'RS citizens should most fear economic measures' by Fena – carry Sadovic. |

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| DA: Terzic says European Troika underlined doors to Europe still open; Douglas Alexander confirms refusals to meet Ivanic | **Dnevni Avaz** pg 2 'Europe's doors for BiH are still open' by S.N. – BiH Council of Ministers Chair **Adnan Terzic** on Monday departed to New York where he met with the European Troika to discuss the perspectives for beginning the negotiations on a Stabilization and Association Agreement following the RSNA decision to reject the police reform in line with the European principles. DA article reads that the European troika invited Terzic for a meeting after they have refused to meet with the BiH Foreign Minister, **Mladen Ivanic**. British Minister for Europe, **Douglas Alexander**, who led EU delegation, told the journalists that "*Europe doesn't want to meet with obstructionists*". Following the meeting, Terzic stated that *"Europe's doors are still open for BiH, and that is good. It depends on us when we will enter."* He also added that the EU and EC officials have complimented for progress achieved in BiH in the past two years, however they have also expressed regret with the failure of the police reform. This failure, says Terzic, has been seen as the result of obstruction coming from the RS Government. He concluded that the EC is ready to immediately talk about the SAA negotiations, but EC principles regarding the police reform must be accepted. Prime Ministers says that the officials also discussed the possibility of extending the EUPM's mandate at the end of this year. *"We have stressed that EUPM should stay here with the intention to focus its work towards ensuring fast and efficient adoption of the European standards especially within the police reform,"* concludes Terzic adding EUPM should stay until the end of police reform. **BHT1, RTRS, Nezavisne Novine** pg 2 'Terzic seeks for a support to European integrations of BiH' by M. C. – also reported on the meeting. **Hayat** by Asim Beslija – Hayat reports that BiH diplomacy has suffered another blow after US and EU officials clearly showed that BiH Foreign Minister **Mladen Ivanic** is not welcomed at the UN General Assembly session in New York . |

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| Carty sends letter to Matijasevic: 'RS did not observe principle on separation of politics from police' | **RTRS, PINK, FTV, RHB. Dnevni Avaz**, pg 4 'RS did not observe principle on separation of politics from police', by Srna, **Dnevni List**, pg 7 'Carty warns Matijasevic', by NINA, **Nezavisne novine** pg 4 'Matijasevic is responsible for involving politics in police business' by D. R. – EUPM Commissioner **Kevin Carty** sent a letter to the RS Interior Minister **Darko Matijasevic** on Tuesday stressing the line between the rights of the public to receive information about police work and divulging operational information has been yet again deliberately violated by the press conference organized by the Ministry on 9 September 2005. EUPM spokesperson, **Zinaida Ilaria** comments: "*EUPM believes that the unfortunate series of press conferences held by the RS MoI have shown that this line was all too often not respected. The timing, periodicity and political implications of those press conferences have been an indication that they have been organized following political, rather than policing considerations.*" |
| Ambassador Rycroft: RS Government is culpable for failure of police reform | **Nezavisne Novine** pg 4 'RS Government is culpable for failure of police reform', announced on cover 'RS Government will bear the consequences because of failure of police reform' by M. Cubro – In an interview to *NN*, British Ambassador to BiH **Matthew Rycroft** has stated it was clear RS Government bears the responsibility for failure of police reform talks, since it failed to agree with the three principles of EC. '*Those who are putting obstacles on the path of RS and BiH towards Europe will suffer consequences*', the Ambassador said. Asked whether EU and Great Brittain, as EU presiding country, would undertake any measures because of this, the Ambassador said the main measure is that RS and BiH will stop on their way to Europe. '*This means there will be no new investments, no new jobs nor possibility for its citizens to travel without visas*', Ambassador Rycroft stated. He noted BiH will have a new chance to launch SAA negotiations, but only after domestic authorities fulfill all pre-requisites for it. |

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| Cavic: 'SDS pre-determined as culprit' | **FTV, Nezavisne Novine** pg 2 'SDS pre-determined as culprit' by N.N. **–** Late news edition reported that the RS President **Dragan Cavic** stated on Tuesday evening that the he regretted the fact that no solution on police reform had been reached, due to what SDS was to face sanctions. It is clear that SDS will have to face sanctions since SDS has already been 'accused' for the failure, said Cavic. |
| DL, VL: BiH to lose millions due to failure of police reform | **Dnevni List** pg 4 'We will lose million because of RS', by Mensud Zorlak – The article notes that BiH, due to the failure in police talks, will not only lose a chance to start the SAA talks, it will also lose millions of KM from the EU funds that are intended for candidate countries. To illustrate the loss, DL says that Croatia will be using during this and next year some 500 million Euros from the funds in order to improve its economy and infrastructure. According to the director of BiH Directorate for European Integration, **Osman Topcagic**, there is a possibility that BiH, together with Serbia and Montenegro and Albania, be given access to these funds. He explains that the UK and Greece are supporting such efforts, adding that the outcome will be known by the end of the year. **Vecernji List**, pg 7, mentioned on front 'EU withholds more than billion KMs to BiH', by Eldina Medunjanin – carries a similar article like DL, and VL notes that BiH will be losing in excess of one billion KMs in the next few years from the EU funds. According to VL, other negative aspects of the police reform failure is that BiH citizens cannot count on the liberalization of the visa regime, and on top of this, BiH is subject to disgrace because its political representatives are being boycotted by the EU. |

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| DA: Isolation of RS started | **Dnevni Avaz** pg 3 'Quiet isolation of RS started' Commentary of the Day by Edina Sarac – According g to Sarac, sanctions are quietly being imposed on RS through putting the entity into a political isolation. In addition, Sarac writes, certain sanctions are being prepared against certain RS officials. However, bearing in mind message by RS President **Dragan Cavic** that the open sanctions might be counter-productive, Europe could apply different tactics, which is to start ignoring RS i.e not recognizing them as equal partners. *"Quiet sanctions are currently directed only towards politicians. The question is, however, what will happen when those who elected them i.e. RS citizens start to suffer consequences of these sanctions,"* wrote Sarac. |
| Demand for parliamentary investigation regarding talks on police reform | **Glas Srpske** pg 2 'An urgent investigation' by G.D. – The Caucuses of the Serb Radical Party and Democratic Party of Srpska have demanded parliamentary investigation related to talks run on police reform. This follows publication of transcripts from Bjelasnica meeting. |

## War crimes

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| Sredoje Lukic pleads not guilty before ICTY; Prosecution says Lukic should be tried in BiH | **FTV, RTRS, Hayat, ayat, BHT1, PINK, RHB, Oslobodjenje** pg 3 'Sredoje Lukic pleaded not guilty', mentioned on cover, **Dnevni Avaz**, pg 4 'Prosecution requests that Sredoje Lukic be tried in BiH', by Fena, **Dnevni List**, pg 4 'Bosnian Serb Sredoje Lukic says he is not guilty', not signed– Bosnian Serb **Sredoje Lukic** on Tuesday pleaded not guilty on 12 counts of the indictment, which accuses him of the war committed in Visegrad in 1992. Lukic, who surrendered to the RS authorities last week upon his return from Russia where he was hiding, was transferred to the ICTY prison unit in Scheveningen last Friday. ICTY Chief Prosecutor **Carla del Ponte** suggests BiH War Crimes Chamber to prosecute both Sredoje and his cousin, also ICTY suspect, **Milan Lukic**. |

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| RS submits to ICTY more evidences against Delic; Glisic and Pandurevic acquitted of charges for war crimes; Del Ponte to start new case against Blaskic? | **FTV, RTRS, RHB, PINK, Oslobodjenje** pg 4 'Additional evidences against Rasim Delic delivered', **Dnevni List**, pg 6 'Additional evidence against Delic', by NINA **–** The RS Secretariat for Relations with the ICTY has delivered to The Hague Tribunal Prosecutor additional evidence to expand indictment against **Rasim Delic**, the former BiH Army Commander. **RTRS, Hayat, RHB, BHT 1, Dnevni Avaz** pg 12, **Dnevni List**, pg 3 'Momir Glisic freed of war crimes charges', by E. Mackic**– Momir Glisic** has been acquitted of charges for war crimes allegedly committed against civilians in Grbavica settlement in Sarajevo, Cantonal Court in Sarajevo decided on Tuesday. Prosecutor announced that he would file a complaint to the FBiH Supreme Court. **FTV, RTRS, Dnevni Avaz** pg 12 'Acquittal of charges for Zarko Pandurevic'– FBiH Supreme Court also dismissed the appeal filed by the Sarajevo Cantonal Prosecution and confirmed verdict to **Zarko Pandurevic**, previously accused of war crimes, by which all charges against him were dropped. **Hayat, Dnevni Avaz** pg 12– According to Nacional, The Chief ICTY Prosecutor **Carla Del Ponte** wants the trial against **Tihomir Blaskic** to be reopened, because falsified documents were used during the appeal proceedings. On the basis of those documents, Blaskic's sentence was reduced from 45 to only nine years in prison. |

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| RS Govt denies submitting list of 100 perpetrators of Srebrenica events to OHR | **BHT1, RHB, Oslobodjenje** pg 8 'We submitted no list to OHR', **Dnevni Avaz**, pg 4 'Ney was not given any list of responsible for crimes in Srebrenica', by Fena –RS Government representatives who on Monday held a meeting with the SDHR **Martin Ney** at the OHR in Sarajevo, did not deliver any list of the alleged "*one hundred names of persons who are directly responsible for the massacres of Bosniaks in Srebrenica committed in July of 1995*", the RS Government announced on Tuesday after speculations by some media. It is also said that at this meeting the representatives of the OHR were presented with copies of reports that the RS Defense Ministry had given to the Taskforce for Srebrenica, and not some list of one hundred names "as the media claim". |

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| Cekic on work of Srebrenica Task Force | **RTRS**, **Nezavisne Novine** pg 3 'List was not handed to OHR' by R.Cengic – **Smail Cekic,** member of Srebrenica Task Force, and RS Government Tuesday announced that no list with 100 or so names (of people who committed war crimes in Srebrenica in July 1995) was handed to OHR. Cekic also said that *"RS Government's Srebrenica TF has not as yet handed any sort of report to OHR, not even a partial one, since the work of the TF has not been completed as yet."* He also said that TF is not satisfied with the cooperation of the RS Army and MoD, since they have not completed their research as yet. Cekic Tuesday met with **Martin Ney,** SDHR, at the OHR in Sarajevo and discussed the work of Srebrenica TF. BiH Prosecutor's Office notes that it has not as yet received any information from Srebrenica TF. **Glas Srpske** pg 2 'Less and less time' by N.Z. – OHR' statement reads that Cekic informed Ney of still outstanding issues, which he will present at the next session of the Srebrenica TF scheduled for 22 September. Ney said: *"RS Premier has a responsibility to ensure that the mandate of Srebrenica TF successfully completes by the end of September."* |

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| Spaic: RS MoI handed list of people who took part in Srebrenica events to Srebrenica TF | **Nezavisne Novine** pg 3 'Police handed information' by D.R. – **Jovan Spaic,** Head of Srebrenica Task Force, Tuesday confirmed that the RS MoI has handed the list to the TF with the names of police officers, who took part in seizureof former UN enclave. According to him, police has completed its part of the work, and now the only thing left to be done is to sort military lists. He refused to give the number of policemen on the list, noting that the list from RS MoD, which initially included the names of 24 thousand people, was significantly downsized. |

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| Bukejlovic critical of SDHR Ney over Srebrenica TF' work | **Glas Srpske** pg 2 'Ney reached verdict already' by SRNA – **Pero Bukejlovic,** RS Premier, Tuesday told SRNA news agency that **Martin Ney,** SDHR, has in advance accused RS Government that its Srebrenica Task Force will not be able to hand full information on units, that were active in Srebrenica area during the war, on time, i.e. the end of September. Bukejlovic said: "*Government is working on it, report must be completed within stipulated deadline, and whether somebody will like it or not – that is a separate issue.*" Speaking of the number of military staff engaged in actions around Srebrenica, he noted that "*it does not have to mean that all soldiers took part in mentioned events around Srebrenica and I cannot accept that somebody is in advance making judgment whether somebody is guilty.*" According to inset "Attacks", Bukejlovic said the attacks of some international community officials against **Darko Matijasevic** recently are is unclear to him, as well as whether those result from discussion on police reform. |

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| Oslobodjenje: Belgrade called generals McKenzie and Rose to testify | **Oslobodjenje** cover page, pg 7 'Belgrade called generals McKenzie and Rose to testify' Azhar Kalamujic – Former Vice-president of **Radovan Karadzic**'s Government for Internal Political Affairs and current BiH Ombudsman **Vitomir Popovic**, Belgrade Mufti **Hamdija Jusufspahic**, Canadian and British generals **Louis McKenzie** and **Michael Rose** will next February appear before the International Court of Justice in The Hague as defense witnesses in case BiH versus Serbia and Montenegro. They have been put on the list of a total of 13 witnesses submitted to the Court by SCG legal representative in the case **Radoslav Stojanovic**. On the other side, BiH legal team will call three international experts for history and military relations in the Balkans to support BiH's side (lawsuit for aggression and genocide against SCG). |
| DA: SCG negotiations with Mladic to surrender | **Dnevni Avaz** pg 13 'Kostunica trying to persuade Mladic to surrender' – DA learns that the official Belgrade, especially SCG Prime Ministers **Vojislav Kostunica**, has been intensively negotiating with **Ratko Mladic** on his possible surrender. In return, he would be offered with money and double guarantees for pre-trial release, i.e. from both RS and SCG. |

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| RS POWs demand HR to establish a commission for investigation of crimes against Sarajevo Serbs | **Glas Srpske** pg 2 'Paddy, why are you silent?' by G. Klepic – RS Association of POWs again accused HR **Paddy Ashdown** of one-sided approach towards victims of past war in BiH and sent an open letter to him in which they demand from HR to establish a commission for investigation of crimes against Serbs in Sarajevo. |

## Other political issues

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| Dzihanovic approves appointments of 2 new ministers | **Oslobodjenje** pg 5 'Dzihanovic agrees with appointments of Crnkic and Mandic', mentioned on cover, by A. Omeragic, **Dnevni Avaz**, pg 4, mentioned on front 'Dzihanovic gives consent for appointments of Crnkic and Mandic', by M. Kukan, **Dnevni List**, pg 5 'Crnkic and Mandic finally become ministers', by Ivica Glibusic, **Vecernji List**, pg 6 'Dzihanovic signs appointments', by eme, **Slobodna Dalmacija**, pg 18 'Dzihanovic accepts Lozancic's ministers', by D. Pasic, **Nezavisne novine** pg 5 'Sahbaz Dzihanovic supported appointments of two new Ministers' by R. C. – FBiH Vice President **Sahbaz Dzihanovic** gave his consent for the appointments of **Zahid Crnkic** and **Vjekoslav Mandic** for the positions of FBiH Minister of Veterans Issues and Health Minister respectively. Dzihanovic said that he has addressed a letter to FBiH President **Niko Lozancic**, and said that the "*repeated procedure of nominating and appointing ministers in the FBiH Government was conducted fully in line with the FBiH Constitution and the Law on the FBiH Government*." This is the reason why, reads the statement, Dzihanovic consented with the decision to appoint Crnkic and Mandic as ministers in the FBiH Government. This decisions needs to be approved by the FBiH Parliament. The next session of the FBiH House of Representatives has been convened for September 27 and 28. |

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| Oslobodjenje: BiH CoM not to meet in September | **Oslobodjenje** pg 4 'CoM to hold not a single session in September' V. Zivak – According to the daily, the crisis in BiH CoM still exists although the ministers do not want to speak publicly about that. A few sources told the daily on Tuesday that there would be no sessions of CoM by the end of this month. Alleged reason for this is CoM Chair **Adnan Terzic**'s business trip to New York , read the article. |
| SNSD presented Declaration on constitutional development of BiH | **RTRS, Oslobodjenje** pg 8 'RS status is not questionable!', **Dnevni Avaz**, pg 5 'SNSD is for federation in which status of RS would not be put into question', not signed, **Nezavisne Novine** pg 6, announced on cover 'BiH organized as a federal state' by V. Popovic – SNSD presented a Declaration on constitutional development of BiH in which they say BiH is a state with international legitimacy and a member of UN, as well as that the federal organization of the state in which the status of RS, as a federal member, is not disputable and cannot be brought in question. SNSD's **Nebojsa Radmanovic** has stated the Declaration is a good base for launching talks on constitutional changes and they will offer it to all political parties, NGOs and everyone who deals with issues of constitutional changes in BiH. Radmanovic accused BiH and entities' authorities of being the main culprits for the lost opportunity to launch SAA negotiations. |

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| Follow up to Mesic/Paravac correspondence: Paravac reacted to something Mesic never said | **Oslobodjenje** pg 3 'Mesic did not talk about Dayton in New York!', **Dnevni List**, pg 6 'Ambassador Vrbosic visits Paravac', by NINA, **Slobodna Dalmacija**, back pg 'Croatia ambassador to BiH at Serb member of BiH Presidency's', by D. Pasic – Ambassador of the Republic of Croatia to BiH, **Josip Vrbosic**,held talks with the Chief of Cabinet of BiH Presidency member (**Borislav Paravac**), **Simo Bozalo**, on Tuesday. Ambassador Vrbosic denied the reports originally published by Slobodna Dalmacija and other dailies in Croatia that Croatian President **Stipe Mesic** lobbied for abolishment of BiH entities during his recent visit to UN HQ, stressing that DPA was not the subject of any bilateral meetings Mesic held with other statesmen in New York. **FTV** also says that Paravac reacted on something which appears that was never said. "*I have read Mr Paravac's statement. I do not know how he brought such conclusions… he has not asked me a thing and I regret it, since I have not mentioned abolishment of BiH entities*", said Mesic. |

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| Stankovic asks apology from Terzic | **RTRS, Glas Srpske** pg 5 'Terzic's deceits' by M.Dz. – RS Defence Minister **Milovan Stankovic** stated that in the capacity of both – the Defence Minister and member of the Defence Reform Commission – he is unaware of any "unpublished" solutions in the defence reform process. He urged BiH Council of Ministers Chair **Adnan Terzic** to deny such statement or to publicly apologize to the participants in the defence reform process. RS MoD reminded that in the past several days certain media have reported that Terzic made claims at the meeting on police reform held at Bjelasnica that the method of double solutions was used during defence reform process. Stankovic described Terzic's statement as tendentious, calculated and aimed at deceiving the participants in talks on police reform, stressing it is damaging to the defence reform process and is "*another from a serious of unfounded statements presented to the BiH public lately*". |

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| Jovic says there was nothing wrong with his speech before UN General Assembly | **Slobodna Dalmacija**, pg 19, mentioned on front 'They want to prevent me from making speech before UNESCO', by Zlatko Tulic – Carries a short interview with the Chairman of BiH Presidency, **Ivo Miro Jovic**, in which he comments on criticism stated against him by his colleague in the Presidency, **Borislav Paravac**, who criticized Jovic's speech in the UN General Assembly. Jovic says the criticism by Paravac's cabinet is unserious and surprising. *"I think I presented a realistic and concrete image of the situation in BiH. That's why I am surprised with criticism coming from cabinet of Borislav Paravac. It is a personal position of the Serb member of BiH Presidency. Everyone is clear that the Dayton agreement stopped the war, however a just peace was not reached (…) BiH has to transform into a modern state, it could happen only if the Dayton constitution is modernized"*, says Jovic. |

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| Vjesnik interview: Donald Hays on changes to BiH Constitution | **Vjesnik**, pg 10 'Dayton must change in interest of all citizens of BiH', by Erol Avdovic – Carries an interview with former Principal Deputy High Representative, **Donald Hays** , in which he talks about possible changes to the Constitution of BiH. Questioned whether it is true that a new constitution of BiH is being written in the US, as some media have reported, Hays says it is not true, however he explains that political parties from BiH, namely the SDA, SDS, HDZ, SDP, SBiH and other parties have agreed to discuss to try and make a consensus on certain changes to the BiH Constitution. Hays also notes that the process will last for about two years. |

## Other issues

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| Kotorsko update: Illegally house demolished, no incidents | **FTV, BHT 1**by Hajrudin Redzovic – Doboj Inspection tear down the unfinished house of **Gavrilo Mocic** in Kotorsko near Doboj. He and another 125 Serb families which fled from Vozuca and Mount Ozren, were given by the local municipal authorities the construction land in Kotorsko; however later the Bosniaks filed a complaint claiming that they own that land. More than 300 members of RS Police secured Tuesday's site of demolishion in Kotorsko, and there were no incidents. Local Serbs, including Mocic himself, did not show. "*I believe that Doboj Inspection is just doing their job, because OHR's ban on building in this settlements is still active*", said **Zijad Mehmedagic**, Kotorsko Bosniak's attorney. **RTRS** – Attorney of Gavrilo Mocic claims demolishing has been done unlawfully announcing the law suite against Doboj municipality. **Dnevni Avaz** pg 8 'Security in Kosovo provided by EUFOR and 300 special police forces', mentioned on cover, – DA reports that EUPM and EUFOR have also been present at the scene. **Nezavisne Novine** cover pg splash 'Demolition of houses continued' and pg 5 'A refugee's house was dismantled to the grounds' by S. Gojkovic, **Vecernje Novosti** pg 17 'Bulldozer against refugees' by Lj. Dj. – also reported. |

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| Dokic-Kalmeta meeting: Croatia starts with construction of Corridor Vc | **Oslobodjneje** pg 6 'Preparations for Vc corridor and bridge over Peljesac', **Dnevni Avaz** pg 3 'Verification of the connection point for Vc corridor agreed', **Dnevni List**, pg 3 'Croatia begins works on Corridor Vc on September 22', by HINA, I. G., **Slobodna Dalmacija**, pg 9 'Kalmeta informs Dokic about building of Peljesac bridge', by S. Pavic – The Croatian and BiH Ministers of Traffic, **Bozidar Kalmeta** and **Branko Dokic**, met in Zagreb on Tuesday when Kalmeta informed his colleague that Croatia would start with construction of the Croatian part of the Corridor Vc on September 22. Kalmeta also informed Dokic that Croatia would start building the Peljesac peninsula-Croatian mainland bridge in October, and that Croatia would make sure that BiH has uninterrupted access to its sea in Neum. (**NB:** the latter caused negative reactions in BiH) |
| GS carries Nacional article: Al-Q'Aida laundered money in Croatia , then used it to finance BiH Army | **Glas srpske** cover pg splash 'Osama was financing the war' by D. M. – The article brings bits and pieces of an article published in Croatian weekly *Nacional* this week, according to which, during '90ies, Al-Q'Aida laundered at least 900 million US dollars through "Zagrebacka" and "Ljubljanska" banks in Croatia, after which the money was transferred to BiH to finance BiH Army. The article also brings "Visoki Saudijski Komitet" (High Saudi Committee) in relation with these activities. |