

OHR BiH Media Round-up, 26/6/2005

RADIO HERCEG-BOSNA (18,00 hrs)	TV PINK (18,00 hrs)	BHT 1 (19,00 hrs)
Lawsuit re: Zenica prison inmates	Greek involved in Srebrenica crimes?	Farmers' protest in Sarajevo
Reactions to Jovic's positions	Conference in Prijedor	Terzic/Ivanic conflict
Ivanic on CoM crisis	Ivanic on crisis in CoM	Greek involved in Srebrenica crimes?
Protests of BiH farmers	Fair "Buy domestic products" starts	Serbian Government – Mladic

NTV Hayat (19,00 hrs)	FTV (19,30 hrs)	RTRS (19,30 hrs)
Gold medal for BiH volley-ball rep.	World Day of fight against drugs	BiH Farmer's protests
World News	Drugs abuse in BiH	Negotiations on CoM crisis
Greek involved in Srebrenica crimes?	Race against drugs in BiH	Ivanic meets Chinese FA Deputy
Canak on Srebrenica crimes	ICTY conference in Prijedor	Conference in Prijedor

Oslobodjenje	Concert of whistles for Prime Minister Terzic
Dnevni Avaz	What was CIA director doing in Sarajevo?
Dnevni List	Dozens of thousands pilgrims in Medjugorje
Vecernji List	Zdravko Colic's concert in Mostar

Economic issues

Terzic booed
at opening
of fair in
Sarajevo by
farmers

Dnevni Avaz pg 4 'They demand removal of Adnan Terzic' by E.P. – S.S. – The BiH Association of the Farmers has commenced the protests in Sarajevo on Saturday at the time of opening the fair 'Buy/use domestic products', after which about 200-300 participants moved to demonstrate before the BiH parliament. The Chair of the Association, **Ranko Bakic**, demanded the removal of CoM Chair, **Adnan Terzic** *"because of obstruction of the production and harsh insulting of farmers."* Terzic, who inaugurated the fair, was booed by the farmers during his speech after which he stated that the farmers are being manipulated by the Association. *"We do everything we can, and we will do even more, but not in such orchestrated way and under such pressure,"* said Terzic. **RHB, PINK, BHT1, Hayat, FTV, RTRS, Oslobodjenje** cover splash, pgs 4-5 'Concert of whistles for Prime Minister Terzic' by S. Hodzic, **Dnevni list** pg 5 'Farmers booed Prime Minister Adnan Terzic' by N. Bise, Nezavisne novine pg 3 'Fair of BiH products opened with boos' by S.L. – also carries that Terzic was booed by the farmers while he was inaugurating the Fair.

<p>Farmers spent night in tents in front of Parliament</p>	<p>BHT1, Nezavisne novine pg 3 'Protests until demands met', mentioned on cover, by <u>M. Cubro and Z. Kusmuk</u> – Dnevni list pg 3 'Farmers do not give up on their demands' by <u>E. Mackic</u>, Oslobodjenje pg 4 'Here we are all united', mentioned on cover, by <u>Sefko Hodzic</u> – About 30 demonstrators has spent the night in front of the Parliament's building sleeping in tents.</p>
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CoM crisis / other political issues

Ivanic: The only way out is Terzic's resignation and election of new CoM

RHB, PINK, BHT1, FTV, Oslobođenje pg 5
'The only solution is Terzic's resignation' by Fena, **Dnevni Avaz** pg 2
'Ivanic: The only way out is for Terzic to resign' by Srna, **Dnevni list** pg 3
'Ivanic proposes new election of the CoM' by Ivica Glibusic, **Nezavisne novine** pg 3
'Ivanic: Only solution is Terzic's resignation' –
BiH Foreign Minister in resignation, **Mladen Ivanic**, stated on Saturday that the only solution to resolve the crisis in the functioning of the Council of Ministers is for the Chair, **Adnan Terzic**, to file resignation, which would lead to election of new CoM. Ivanic added he expects the situation to be finally resolved at the meeting of parties in Sarajevo on Monday [27 June]. Only other solution for Ivanic is that Terzic nominates new Foreign Minister and end the crisis in the CoM without PDP, however he adds this is least likely as Terzic would not be able to get the support of the parliamentary majority. Commenting **Sulejman Tihic**'s statement that the solution will be reached when SDS leader, **Dragan Covic**, is present, Ivanic said he doesn't believe this is possible as SDS clearly said it would not support non-party candidates and will not participate CoM without PDP.

<p>Terzic: Solution is appointment of experts from RS to CoM</p>	<p>BHT1, Hayat, Dnevni Avaz pg 2 'To fill CoM with the experts from RS' by <u>Srna</u> – The Chair of the Council of Ministers, Adnan Terzic, believes that the crisis in the functioning of the state government can be resolved by appointing the CoM vacant ministerial positions of Communications/Transport Minister and Foreign Minister with expects from RS. Asked by journalists whether this plan has support by the parliamentary majority, Terzic responds: <i>"Not today...But, we will see. There is another round of talks before us."</i> CoM Chair added he doesn't feel responsible for the crisis in the CoM.</p>
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Tihic: This is the biggest crisis in state authorities to date

Dnevni Avaz pg 2 'This is the biggest crisis in the state authorities to date', mentioned on cover, by A. Malagic – Following the meeting of ruling political parties and BiH Presidency held in Doboj on Friday which failed to resolve the issues in functioning of the BiH Council of Ministers, the member of the Presidency **Sulejman Tihic** states for DA that this is the biggest crisis in the state authorities to date. He also explains that attendees of the meeting tried to entirely blame CoM Chair **Adnan Terzic** for the crisis adding *"it is clear to everybody that the cause was the Serb side, i.e. Minister [Mladen] Ivanic."* Tihic reiterates that SDA supports Terzic's decisions to accept Ivanic's resignation tendered in December last year, adding Foreign Minister was blocking reforms since the last year's NATO Summit in Istanbul. *"I think that the current crisis in the state authorities is bigger than previous ones. We all saw in Doboj that Terzic and Ivanic neither can nor want to continue working together, which makes the situation more complicated. According to Ivanic, PDP will not take part in authorities without him. At the same time, SDS Vice President [Mladen Bosic] says SDS will not participate authorities without PDP. That is vicious circle without an exit,"* says Tihic adding RS parties have not showed readiness to find a solution.

<p>Terzic supports Dril's appointment?</p>	<p>PINK – According to the unofficial information, CoM Chair Adnan Terzic will support the candidacy of the HDZ official, Anton Dril, to the position of BiH Deputy Foreign Minister.</p>
<p>SNSD says only new elections can solve situation</p>	<p>RTRS, Oslobođenje pg 5 'Resignation of CoM, and than new elections in BiH' by <u>O. Vukovic</u>, Nezavisne novine pg 3 'Ivanic: Only solution is Terzic's resignation' – SNSD Secretary General, Igor Radojicic, stated at the press conference on Saturday that the best solution for the current crisis in the state authorities would be for entire CoM to resign and than organize the new elections. Radojicic noted that CoM has not held session for long time and even those held previously passed in the disagreement of Ministers.</p>
<p>Safet Halilovic: If crisis not solved, tragic consequences for BiH</p>	<p>Dnevni list pg 3 'Ivanic proposes new election of the CoM' by <u>Ivica Glibusic</u> – Leader of the Party for BiH, Safet Halilovic, who also attended the meeting held in Dobož, stated for DL that the obstacle in resolving the crisis is the RS side. <i>"HDZ should propose its candidate for the Deputy Minister and in some way that would also make the problem functionally smaller. I think it is up to the institutions and political parties to find the final solution for the CoM in the next few days. If that doesn't happen, tragic consequences are certain for BiH as practically nothing serious could be done until next elections,"</i> commented Halilovic adding it is up to SDS to make a move that would create a space for solution.</p>

**Lagumdzija:
SDS soon to
be stronger
ever since
Karadzic
left**

Nezavisne novine pgs 8-9 'Terzic is like second hand cheater', mentioned on cover, by Almedin Sisic – In two-page long interview to NN, the SDP leader **Zlatko Lagumdzija** slams the speech of the BiH Prime Minister, **Adnan Terzic**, delivered before the Council of Europe in Strasbourg, for attacking the previous government [lead by Lagumdzija] for a number of issues in BiH. In addition, Lagumdzija is extremely critical of current authorities and the High Representative, **Paddy Ashdown**, accusing him of playing large part in creating this situation in the country. Commenting to the current crisis in the authorities, Lagumdzija says: *"In fall, SDS and [Dragan] Cavic will completely rule the BiH and RS institutions, after getting ride of [Mladen] Ivanic and PDP. They will keep [Adnan] Terzic as a marionette... as he will be in [Cavic's] power and he will be deciding whether Terzic should leave or stay... SDS will now come to the position to be stronger than even since Radovan Karadzic fled in the forest. International Community will most probably apply pressure against Cavic and SDS. It is to be expected that Cavic will agree to some things upon demand of outgoing Ashdown. That will be ideal opportunity for Cavic, because Ashdown will want to make any kind of deal because hid departure to be able to call it a success!"*

**DL op-ed on
crisis in
CoM**

Dnevni list pg 2 'Continuation of crisis in authorities' op-ed by Ivica Glibusic – Commenting the failure of the parties to reach an agreement regarding the functioning of the CoM at the meeting in Doboj, authorities says that RS side expects **Adnan Terzic** to withdraw his decision on accepting **Mladen Ivanic**'s resignation but notes that is impossible as it would mean the end of political career for Terzic. *"After the latest events in the CoM, one thing is certain for the future, regardless who is the Prime Ministers, and that is obligatory consultations with all parties participating in the authorities prior to making decision on removals. Otherwise, BiH will stay in the vicious circle without exit,"* reads the editorial.

DL: Bozic to go to CoM?

Dnevni list pg 2 'Minister Bozic goes to CoM?', mentioned on cover, by Marko Karacic – FBiH Agriculture Minister, **Marinko Bozic**, stated for DL that he will not resign from his post. On the contrary, Bozic says he works on the project of establishing the Agriculture Ministry at the state level. *"People have accepted my proposals, as well as OHR, and it is very possible that I will head state Ministry of Agriculture,"* stated Bozic denying media reports that the HDZ leader, **Dragan Covic**, would replace him. Asked whether he is satisfied with his work to date, Bozic responds he is not adding more can always be done. He believes that the High Representative is partly to be blamed as his decisions and acting prevent employment of new professional staff in the Ministry [Bozic has not elaborated on this.]

War crimes issues

<p>Greece investigates possible role of 'Greek volunteers' in Srebrenica</p>	<p>RHB, PINK, BHT1, Hayat, FTV, RTRS, Oslobodjenje pg 2 'Investigation on possible participation of 'Greek volunteers' in Srebrenica', Nezavisne novine pg 2 'Investigation on participation of Greeks in Srebrenica massacre' by Agencies – The Greek judiciary has launched the investigation on possible participation of "Greek volunteers" in massacre in Srebrenica. Greek Justice Minister, Anastasios Papaliguras, informed the Parliament that the judiciary launched investigation, and that the Ministry is ready – if asked – to contribute to the investigations in BiH and Serbia .</p>
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**ICTY holds
conference on
war crimes in
Prijeedor**

BHT1, FTV, RTRS, Nezavisne novine pg 2
'Individuals, not entire people, are responsible for war crimes' by D. Kovacevic – The ICTY representatives and the RS Helsinki Human Rights Committee on Saturday held conference in Prijeedor on the issue of war crimes. The conference is a part of on-going project by the ICTY with an aim to make the Tribunal closer to the local communities. The head of the Prijeedor municipality, **Marko Pavic**, stated at the conference that the responsibility for the war crimes must lie with the individuals who committed them, and not the people or entire cities. It has been concluded that there is a need to openly discuss the war crimes inside the local community in order to create conditions for reconciliation. **PINK** – ICTY representatives in BiH, **Mathias Hellman**, stated that the crimes committed against non-Serb population in Prijeedor cannot be denied anymore adding the individuals responsible must be tried.

Oslobodjenje:
RS MoI
arrested 19
persons

Oslobodjenje pg 3 '19 persons arrested in Podrinje' by A.Av. – Daily brings that according to the unofficial information, RS Interior Ministry has arrested in the past few days in total 19 persons under suspicion of committing war crimes in Srebrenica. Daily also brings that the number includes 5 police officers from Zvornik and 7 police officers from Skelani police station. Even though it was reported that **Novak Stjepanovic Krka** has also been apprehended, daily brings that he called their journalist on Saturday claiming he is in Ljubovija. BiH Court has determined one-month detention for about 10 arrestees. Article concludes that Public Security Center in Bijeljina confirmed that there were no arrests carried out on Saturday. Unofficially, Oslobodjenje learns that the action could be continued next week.

Dnevni Avaz pg 8 'Why they don't arrest those who drunk and ate with Karadzic and Mladic during the war?' by A. Hadzic – DA brings the article on atmosphere in Bratunac, where the RS Interior Ministry has arrested several persons under suspicion of committing war crimes. Noting that the Serb citizens fear further action, DA quotes a former member of Bratunac brigade who says that RS MoI did not *"arrest those who drunk and ate with Karadzic and Mladic during the war."*

<p>Jovan Nikolic released from detention</p>	<p>Dnevni Avaz pg 8 inset 'Jovan Nikolic released from prison?' – According to unofficial information, one of the persons arrested by the RS Interior Ministry in the past few days in Podrinje region, Jovan Nikolic, has been released from the detention. DA speculates that while there is no information on the reasons for this follow up, it could be that he had reached a deal with the BiH Prosecution to testify. Nezavisne novine pg 2 'Jovan Nikolic released from detention' by Srna – NN also carries Nikolic was released.</p>
<p>SDS boycotts Srebrenica Municipal Assembly?</p>	<p>Oslobodjenje pg 3 'SDS boycotted Srebrenica Municipal Assembly's session' by <u>A.Av.</u> – SDS representatives in the Srebrenica Municipal Assembly have boycotted the session on Saturday, as daily reports, most probably because of the arrests carried out in the region by RS Interior Ministry. In their absence, Assembly passed the statement welcoming the arrests.</p>

<p>Serbian official Simic says Mladic will not in The Hague by 11th July</p>	<p>Nezavisne novine pgs 14-15 'Serbian government is not close to Ratko Mladic', mentioned on cover, <u>by Goran Djogic</u> – In two-page interview to NN, the Advisor on ICTY issues to Serbian President, Jovan Simic, states that he doesn't believe that Ratko Mladic will not be in the Hague by 11th July. <i>"Where is Mladic? – that is a question for the government. But, if you ask me, I don't think they known where he is, and they did not locate him... If it is true that he changes locations that it is impossible [to find him] without coordination between RS, Federation of BiH, Serbia and Montenegro... International community would also have to be included in such operation with their technology and logistics,"</i> says Simic.</p>
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Other issues	
<p>DA: CIA Director met with OSA Director Dzuvo in Sarajevo on Saturday</p>	<p>Dnevni Avaz cover splash 'What was CIA director doing in Sarajevo?', pg 3 'CIA director was in Sarajevo!' by <u>I.C.</u> – DA learns from well informed sources that the CIA director, Porter Gos, visited Sarajevo on Saturday, which is the first time a director of the US intelligence agency has visited BiH. Article reads that Gos spend only several hours in Sarajevo and has not met with the local officials. He only held meeting with the Director of BiH Intelligence Agency [OSA] Almir Duzvo.</p>

<p>NN investigates large investments by former RS officials in construction works at coast</p>	<p>Nezavisne novine cover splash, pg 10 ‘Former officials from RS ‘occupied’ Herceg novi’ <u>by Natasa Krsman</u> – NN re[prts visited several large construction sites of apartments buildings and houses in the coastal city of Herceg Novi, in which former RS officials have invested their money. Article reads that the largest is the site of constructing 21 apartments where even workers do not know who is the owner, learning that this belongs to Bosko Lemez, former RS Energy Ministry replaced by the High Representative after the Special Auditor report noted loss of 167 million KM in Elektroprivreda RS. In addition, NN writes about large properties of Goran Popovic, former Director of RS Customs, and Vuk Hamovic, co-owner of Lond based EFT company which apparently used to control over 80% of energy markter in the region.</p>
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