

OHR BiH Media Round-up, 27/6/2005

Latest radio news broadcast at 12.00 on 27 June

RADIO HERCEG-BOSNA (12,00 hrs)	BH Radio 1 (12,00 hrs)
FBiH police search 'Lijanovici'	FBiH, EUFOR raid Lijanovici
Increase of fuel prices in FBiH	'Igman initiative' mtg inBelgrade
Negotiations on CoM crises continue	Increase of oil price at world market

TV news broadcast on 26 June

RADIO HERCEG-BOSNA (18,00 hrs)	TV PINK (18,00 hrs)	BHT 1 (19,00 hrs)
Holly mass for killed soldiers	World News	Burial ceremony in Kozarac
Meningitis spreading in Banja Luka	BiH farmers protest in Sarajevo	US HoP on Srebrenica Resolution
Farmers protests	BiH Delegation visit to Hungary	Stojkovic on Mladic whereabouts
CIA Director meets Dzuvo	RS pensions lower than FBiH ones	Traditional visit to Ajvatovica

NTV Hayat (19,00 hrs)	FTV (19,30 hrs)	RTRS (19,30 hrs)
BiH farmers protest in Sarajevo	Burial ceremony in Kozarac	Blessing of church in Glogovac
Meeting on CoM crisis to continue	Mothers of Srebrenica statement	Send off of remains from Prijedor

Feature story on Ajvatovica 2005	US HoP on Srebrenica Resolution	Nikolic released from BIH Court
Hayat's action for Zepa	Flowers for victims of bombing	Matijasevic on war crime indictees

Oslobodjenje	Retirement-benefit base for 'Zlatni Ljiljani' 60% of average salary?
Dnevni Avaz	[Terzic:] I do not see reason for resignation
Dnevni List	Split-Zagreb in three hours (Croatia open new Zagreb- Spilt highway)
Vecernji List	Highway of Croatian pride (Croatia open new Zagreb- Spilt highway)
Slobodna Dalmacija	Savka: Dream is fulfilled (Croatia open new Zagreb- Spilt highway)
Nezavisne Novine	57 Bosniaks and two Croats were buried
Glas Srpske	There is no life here [<i>reports on return to Tarcin and carries a personal story of 84-year-old returnee</i>]
EuroBlic	Vuk Draskovic: Independence of Kosovo would lead to independence of RS
Vecernje novosti	<i>Features Serbian related titles</i>
Srpski Nacional	CIA is not searching for Karadzic but for 936 terrorists

LATEST NEWS OF TODAY

<p>FBiH Police, EUFOR raid 'Lijanovici' premises</p>	<p>BH Radio 1 by <u>Emil Karamatic</u> – FBiH police and EUFOR have raided the premises of 'Lijanovici' meat industry near Siroki Brijeg this morning about 6 am. The owners of the company – four Lijanovici brothers – have been indicted by the BiH Prosecution for several crimes including tax evasion and bribing. Mladen Ivankovic, also a president of the party 'Working to Prosperity, has commented this police presence in the company is an act of the intimidation against company and a political pressure against the party. BiH Prosecution and the BiH Court did not want to comment to the action.</p>
<p>Meeting of 'Igman initiative' starts in Belgrade</p>	<p>RHB, BH Radio 1 – The meeting of the 'Igman initiative' has commenced in Belgrade this morning. The BiH delegation is headed by the Chairman of the BiH Presidency, Borislav Paravac, and the meeting is also attended by the Presidents of Croatia and SCG, Stjepan Mesic and Svetozar Marovic respectively. Presidents are expects to sing the joint statement titled 'Trilateral view on the presence and future', which lists the open questions in the relationship between the regional countries as well as their solutions. This is the 10th session of the Initiative, which gathers 140 NGOs, which will focus at mostly issues related to culture.</p>

<p>Agriculture producers block Doljani border crossing</p>	<p>BH Radio 1 – The representatives of the BiH Association of Farmer have blocked Doljani border crossing this morning. At the same time, the group of them has continued the protests in front of the building of joint institutions in Sarajevo.</p>
<p>RS PM expects solutions on police reform/PBS until end of November</p>	<p>SRNA news agency – RS Prime Minister, Pero Bukejlovic, stated today in Banja Luka he expects solutions regarding the police reform and PBS to be found by the end of November. He also expects RS not to be declared as the obstructionist in police reform, adding RS Government works towards unblocking the process. Bukejlovic concluded he hopes “the other side will soften” and the solution agreeable to all parties will be found soon.</p>

War crimes

**59 victims of
war crimes
buried in
Kozarac**

Oslobodjenje pg 3 'No forgetting, no forgiving', mentioned on cover, by Besima Kahrmanovic, **Nezavisne Novine** cover pg splash and pg 4 '57 Bosniaks and two Croats were buried' by D. Kovacevic – The joint burial of 59 identified victims of the crimes committed in Prijedor [57 Bosniaks and 2 Croats] was organized in Kozarac on Sunday. Their bodies were identified in Sanski Most, where approximately 700 bodies are still waiting for the process. **FTV** –

The persons were killed in Prijedor thirteen years ago, during the war in BiH, mainly in concentration camps in the area – Omarska, Keraterm, Trnopolje and Ljubija Stadium. **BHT 1** – So far two person were sentenced for the crimes committed in Prijedor Municipality: **Radoslav Brdjanin** was sentenced to 32 years in prison and **Milomir Stakic** to a life-time prison sentence.

Dnevni Avaz pg 9 'RS must accept responsibility for crimes', mentioned on cover, by M. Zgonjanin – RS Vice President, **Adil Osmanovic**, stated that the crimes were committed in the RS territory and by RS institutions, thus the entity has to face them and accept responsibility.

RTRS – Chair of Prijedor Municipal Assembly **Azra Pasalic** stated at the occasion that the path of the truth is the only path towards the reconciliation and forgiveness.

Osmanovic stated that the war crimes committed cannot be justified in any way.

<p>US HoR to discuss Srebrenica Resolution today; Reactions by Serbian politicians</p>	<p>BHT 1, FTV, Vecernje Novosti pg 5 ‘Washington full of Srebrenica’ by <u>Dubravka Savic</u> – The US House of Representatives will discuss the Resolution on Srebrenica on Monday. The Congressmen are expected to adopt the resolution that describes crimes in Srebrenica as the worst atrocity during the war in between 1992 and 1995. Similar resolution has been adopted by the US Senate on Friday and its states Srebrenica massacre was committed with the support of the former Yugoslavia official authorities.</p> <p>Vecernje Novosti pg 5 ‘There were other crimes as well’ by <u>S. Remic</u> – carries reactions of Serbian politicians (Dusan Petrovic, Sanda Raskovic – Ivic, Aleksandar Vucic, Cedomir Antic, Vuk Draskovic, Radoslav Stojanovic) on the announcement that US House of Representatives would discuss Srebrenica resolution. The politicians mostly agree crimes were committed in Srebrenica, however they believe this was not genocide and they think individuals should be held responsible.</p>
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<p>Mother of Srebrenica welcome US Senate's adoption of Srebrenica declaration</p>	<p>FTV, Oslobođenje pg 2 'Srebrenica and Zepa to be again given status of protected zones' by <u>Fena</u>, Dnevni Avaz pg 8 – The association "Mothers of Srebrenica and Podrinje" thanked the US Senate, which unanimously adopted the resolution on Srebrenica which clearly states that Serbia has committed an aggression against BiH, and that there was genocide in Srebrenica. They have also asked the BiH authorities to initiate re-establishment of Srebrenica and Zepa as protected UN zones <i>"as the transitional solution until the complete reintegration"</i> of the country.</p>
<p>Observer: Karadzic hides btw Eastern BiH/ Montenegro</p>	<p>Dnevni Avaz pg 4 'Radovan Karadzic between East Bosnia and Montenegro' by <u>L.S.</u>, Nezavisne Novine pg 6 'Hiding of Radovan Karadzic costs 200,000 US dollars per month' by <u>N. N.</u>, Glas Srpske pg 3 'Radovan as hero' by <u>Tanjug</u> – British newspapers 'Observer' published on Sunday that Radovan Karadzic is hiding under the protection of the secret network of people consisting of politicians, criminals, spies, businessman and priests of Serb Orthodox Church.</p> <p>Today, says Observer, he hides in the region between East Bosnia and Montenegro. The article, based on talks with a number of officials and diplomats in BiH and field visits, says that Karadzic spends 80% of his time in the property of the Church. Article also says that hiding of Karadzic costs 200,000 \$ per month.</p>

<p>Cavic: Pressures vs. RS regarding coop. w/ICTY will be intensified by autumn</p>	<p>Vecernje Novosti pg 2 'If RS is genocidal, then entire BiH is like this' announced on cover 'They are overthrowing Srpska by Srebrenica' by <u>Dubravka Vujanovic</u> – In an interview to VN, [Inset 'Brutally as of autumn'] RS President Dragan Cavic said RS neither protects nor pays any person whose name is on the Hague indictment and he says this summer break can be considered as <i>"silence before storm"</i>. <i>'Pressures are being prepared that will be intensified by autumn in the most brutal form. Without any alternative. The International Community will build its approach to RS and Serbia depending on their stance regarding the Hague Tribunal, Karadzic and Mladic. Our future depends on it'</i>, Cavic said.</p>
<p>Matijasevic: RS MoI will arrest all PIFWCs if it receives info on their location</p>	<p>RTRS – The RS Minister of Interior Darko Matijasevic stated that RS MoI will arrest all war crime suspects, Ratko Mladic and Radovan Karadzic included, if it receives information on their whereabouts in RS. He added that the RS MoI maintains good cooperation with the security agencies in BiH and SCG as well as representatives of international community.</p>
<p>NN: New apprehensions at the beginning of the week</p>	<p>Nezavisne Novine pg 2 'New apprehensions at the beginning of the week' by <u>M. Cubro and J. Sarac</u> – A source close to BiH Prosecutor's Office has announced new apprehensions of war crimes suspects would follow at the beginning of this week.</p>

<p>Nikolic: 'Hundreds Bosniak civilians killed in Kravice'</p>	<p>Oslobodjenje pg 5, mentioned on cover 'Hundreds Bosniak civilians killed in Kravice' by <u>A. Avdic</u> – According to Jovan Nikolic Jole few hundreds Bosniak civilians were killed in Kravice near Bratunac on July 13 and 14, 1995. Oslobodjenje explains that Nikolic is a war crime suspect for the crimes committed in Srebrenica in 1995 and he was arrested during the last RS Ministry of Interior action. According to the article, after a two-day detention and questioning Nikolic was released.</p>
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<p>Protests of farmers</p>

<p>Farmers continue with protests in front of CoM</p>	<p>Hayat, FTV, RTRS, RHB, PINK, BHT1, Oslobođenje pg 7 'Protest until demands are met', mentioned on cover, by <u>Sefko Hodzic</u>, Dnevni List pg 3 'Terzic, Ivanic and Doko should submit resignations' by <u>E. Mackic</u>, Vecernji List pg 3 'Tents in front of CoM until further notice', mentioned on front 'Protesters want resignations by responsible', by <u>D. Jazvic</u>, Nezavisne Novine pg 3 'Farmers protested in tents before CoM building' by <u>Srna</u>, Glas Srpske pg 4 'Everyone is running away from shovel' by <u>N. Z.</u> – The members of the BiH Association of Farmers are still protesting outside the BiH Institutions Building in Sarajevo, where they spent the night in tents. They demand the establishment of a Ministry of Agriculture at the state level, and the protection of domestic agricultural production.</p> <p>Dnevni Avaz pg 4 'ER picked up Vlado Sodici' – DA brings that one of the Association's members from Prijedor was taken by ER due to health problems.</p>
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<p>Terzic on protests: BiH CoM is the least culpable</p>	<p>Dnevni Avaz, front pg splash ‘I do not see reason for resignation’ and pg 5 ‘If parties are not ready for reforms, they should look for new chairman’, by <u>Admir Malagic</u> – In an interview with Avaz, Chairman of BiH CoM, Adnan Terzic, comments on the protests of BiH agricultural producers. <i>“The BiH CoM is the least culpable. The entity government are responsible for subsidies and agricultural policy. I am trying to get a state ministry of agriculture and then I and people who would lead the ministry would assume responsibility”</i>.</p>
<p>DL op-ed on protests: All BiH citizens should protest</p>	<p>Dnevni List, pg 2 ‘Resistance’, by <u>Nermin Bise</u> – Carries an op-ed in which the author, whilst commenting on the protests of BiH agricultural producers, notes it is not only them who should be protesting, but all BiH citizens. The author also fears that the protests are being abused by Ranko Bakic (Chairman of Association of agricultural producers) and the Lijanovici brothers.</p>

<p>CoM crisis / other political issues</p>

<p>Ruling parties, Presidency, CoM Chair to continue talks on resolving crisis today</p>	<p>Hayat, RTRS, BHT 1, Dnevni List pg 5 ‘Continuation of talks on crisis today’ by <u>De.L.</u> – The leaders of 5 ruling political parties, Chair of the Council of Ministers Adnan Terzic and members of the BiH Presidency will continue with the discussion on the current crisis in the functioning of the state authorities in Sarajevo today [Monday]. The meeting is continuation of the talks of the meeting held upon initiative of the BiH Presidency in Doboj on Friday at which parties failed to reach an agreement.</p>
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DA/DL ints
with Terzic
on CoM
crisis: I
don't see
reason for
resignation

Dnevni Avaz front pg splash 'I do not see reason for resignation' and pg 5 'If parties are not ready for reforms, they should look for new chairman', by Admir Malagic – In an interview for Avaz, Chairman **Adnan Terzic** says that he will, after today's meeting of ruling political parties, decide whether it pays off to stay the Chairman of BiH CoM. Terzic says he is interested whether the parties are ready to go alone in the reforms without participation of various UN and OHR's commissions, including the police reform. *"If they are not ready for reforms, they probably will ask for a new chairman [of the BiH Council of Ministers], because I am not ready to spend my mandate on things that do not take BiH to the EU",* says Terzic. He also notes that he would not be resigning: *"I have reasons to ask from the parties of the parliamentary majority, if we cannot reach a consensus on reform programs, to find new solutions and vote on the vote of no confidence, thus coming to a situation to appoint new ministers and chairman and in that way I would leave this project".*

Dnevni List, pgs 6-7 'Nobody came to Doboj to solve crisis', mentioned on front ', by Nermin Bise – In an interview to DL, Adnan Terzic comments on **Mladen Ivanic's** statement that the only solution (to the crisis) was the appointment of new CoM: *"I will wait for today's continuation of talks to see what we will do. I assume the way out is, as I already said, is to fill the CoM with experts from the RS and continue with our reform course".* Questioned whether he had the support to fill in the vacant ministerial posts with the experts from RS, Terzic says: *"If you are asking me if I have the support of the Parliament, I think I do not, but we will see...Political subjects from the RS should realize it is a good bypass until next elections".*

<p>Ivo Miro Jovic: Situation is very difficult, both side must make concessions</p>	<p>Dnevni Avaz pg 5 'If we continue like this, we will have to change everything', mentioned on cover, by <u>F. Vele</u> – Croat member of the BiH Presidency, Ivo Miro Jovic, commented that the situation in the country following failure of the parties to reach an agreement last Friday in Doboj "was very difficult". In statement for DA, Jovic says: <i>"Both sides must make concession in continuation of the talks in Sarajevo with a goal to find solutions... I do everything and will continue to do everything in Sarajevo to connect those two sides."</i></p>
<p>Ivanic: Crisis has to be solved today</p>	<p>Vecernji List, pg 2 'Today is D-day for Council of Ministers', mentioned on front 'Decision day today', by <u>Eldina Medunjanin</u> – Carries BiH Foreign Minister, Mladen Ivanic, as saying: <i>"One can see that the crisis is more serious than one would think, and it is my conviction that it has to be solved today because this situation is not good for the country or for anyone else. It would appear that nobody will give up, and in such conditions the solution is that this Council of Ministers falls".</i></p>
<p>Stojicic: early elections are not realistic</p>	<p>Glas srpske pg 2 'New elections are not realistic' by <u>M. Dz.</u> – RS NA Chairman Dusan Stojicic thinks it would be difficult to find a political formula to exit delicate political situation at CoM and he assessed the solution involving early elections it not likely to happen, i.e. it is not realistic.</p>

<p>Party for BiH considers leaving the authority</p>	<p>Nezavisne Novine pg 3 ' Party for BiH hinted leaving the ruling coalition', announced on cover 'Party for BiH hinted their leaving the authority' by <u>M. Cubro and P. Klincov</u> – Beriz Belkic, a member of the Presidency of the Party for BiH, Sunday stated this party would assess whether it starts to participate in creation of crisis and it would consider whether it would remain on power. He announced the party would on Monday (today) hold a session to discuss CoM crisis. The article reiterates stances re CoM crisis of Sulejman Tihic, SDS's Dusan Stojicic, PDP's Mladen Ivanic, SDA's Sefik Dzaferovic and HDZ's Pero Pavlovic.</p>
<p>NN op-ed: crisis of authorities are protection from failures</p>	<p>Nezavisne Novine op ed pg 7 "Crisis" of the authorities are protection from failures' by <u>Mirza Cubro</u> – The author says the ruling national three are true masters in producing and maintaining crisis. BiH public is only talking about new crisis that are actually just a wall that protects the current authority from failures. Although they brag about defence reform, customs reform, intelligence reform and judiciary reform, all these projects have suffered a fiasco.</p>
<p>Ril expects he will become new BiH Deputy Foreign Minister on June 29</p>	<p>Vecernji List, pg 5 'It will be challenge to carry out re-organization of BiH Foreign Ministry', mentioned on front 'We cannot do anything without good neighbors', by <u>Miso Relota</u> – Carries an interview with Anton Ril, who has recently been mentioned as the likely candidate to assume the post of BiH Deputy Foreign Minister. Mil expects he will be appointed to the said post at a session of the BiH Council of Ministers that is scheduled for June 29.</p>

<p>Cavic: they are trying to overthrow RS by Srebrenica</p>	<p>Vecernje Novosti pg 2 'If RS is genocidal, then entire BiH is like this' announced on cover 'They are overthrowing Srpska by Srebrenica' by <u>Dubravka Vujanovic</u> – carries a page long interview with RS President Dragan Cavic, in which he had assessed Ivanic's removal might result in elections. He also stressed '<i>we must not allow a serious political crisis just before the anniversary of the Dayton Agreement</i>' because this would give additional arguments to those who plead for abolishment and revision of the Agreement. With regard to Srebrenica, Cavic said it had been politically used to introduce constitutional reorganization of BiH and abolishment of RS on "back door".</p>
<p>Draskovic: independence of Kosovo would lead to independence of RS</p>	<p>EuroBlic cover pg splash and pgs 2-3 'Vuk Draskovic: Independence of Kosovo would lead to independence of RS' by <u>Ivana Cvetkovic</u> – carries an interview with Serbian Minister of Foreign Affairs Vuk Draskovic, in which he stated that the independence of Kosovo would mean an automatic independence of RS. '<i>In contacts with world leaders I insist on principles of equal standards and I always point out that a solution of Kosovo problem in frame of Serbia would stabilize BiH as well. Everything Albanians in Kosovo get, Serbs in RS should get as well</i>', Draskovic said.</p>

<p>International Association BiH 2005 conference in Geneva to gather 100 experts</p>	<p>Oslobodjenje, pg 6, mentioned on front 'Conference in Geneva a hope for BiH', by <u>A. Prlenda</u> – reports that the International Association BiH 2005, which is chaired by a former High Representative, Wolfgang Petritsch, is announcing a conference that will be held in Geneva in October 2005 that would gather around 100 experts and intellectuals, who would be discussing solutions <i>"for BiH's happier future"</i>. The Association's Executive Director, Christophe Solioz, says the conference will have 12 discussions covering the whole spectre of social-political life such as state building, application of constitution, economy, education, culture and science. Solioz announces that the current HR, Paddy Ashdown, and his successor, whose name is not made public yet, will attend one of those discussions. <i>"That discussion will speak about the transfer of authorities within the international community. We want to present the new High Representative with effective solutions"</i>, says Solioz.</p>
<p>Working group on law on agency for medicines again ceased working</p>	<p>Dnevni List, pg 5 'Black market of medicines expanding in BiH', by <u>Tanja Dragic</u> – DL learns from the BiH Council of Ministers that the Working Group (WG) for making of (BiH) law on agency for medicines again stopped working. According to an advisor to BiH CoM, Bojan Zec Filipovic, the WG stopped working because it could not reach an agreement about the location of the future agency, whether to place it in Banja Luka or Sarajevo . He notes that the issue of location could be resolved by the BiH CoM.</p>

**Veterans / Security / Zenica inmates update/
Police decertification**

<p>FBiH HoP to discuss law on war laureates today</p>	<p>RHB, Oslobođenje cover pg splash and pg 2 'Retirement-benefit base for 'Zlatni Ljiljani' 60 % of average salary?' by <u>S. Sehercehajic</u> – At the session of the Federation of BiH House of Peoples, that is to take place on Monday (today), amendments to the proposal of the law on war laureates and members of their families should be discussed. According to the article, the Association of Federation of BiH Laureates will demand to classify the BiH Army order 'Zlatni Ljiljan' in a special category whose holders would be receiving financial assistance amounting to 60 % of the average FBiH salary.</p> <p>President of the aforementioned Association Ahmed Sejdic stated that this means that 'Zlatni Ljiljani' would be receiving for 10 % higher financial assistance than other laureates.</p> <p>Commenting on this proposal President of the Croat Caucus Mato Franjicevic stated that this amendment is not acceptable for the Croat Caucus.</p>
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<p>Nacional: CIA chief demanded from HR to arrest Al-Q'Aida members who found refuge in BiH</p>	<p>Srpski Nacional cover pg splash 'CIA is not searching for Karadzic but for 936 terrorists' and pgs 2-3 'America cleanses Bosnia from terrorists' <u>not signed</u> – CIA director, Porter Gos, visited Sarajevo on Saturday, held an informal meeting with OSA Director Almir Dzuvo and, according to <i>Nacional</i>, he delivered an order to HR Paddy Ashdown and '<i>Bosnian-Muslim leadership to handover all terrorists who had found a refuge in Bosnia</i>'. According to <i>Nacional</i>, Gos brought a list of 936 Al-Q'Aida terrorists and handed over a demand for an arrest and extradition of some of those to HR Ashdown.</p>
<p>US Embassy without comment on Gos' visit</p>	<p>Dnevni Avaz pg 4 'US Embassy has no comment on visit by CIA Director' by <u>L.S.</u> – DA follows up on its cover splash story published on Sunday [see BiH Media Round-up for June 26] which says that the CIA Director, Porter Gos, spent several hours in Sarajevo. DA says this is still unconfirmed while the US embassy did not want to comment.</p>
<p>Hunger strike of 4 prisoners in Zenica prison update: Strasbourg court considering the case</p>	<p>Dnevni List, pg 7 'European Court in Strasbourg considering lawsuits', by <u>NINA</u>, Vecernji List, pg 3 'Strasbourg court considering case', by <u>bs</u> – Report that the European Human Rights Court in Strasbourg has taken into consideration the lawsuit that families of four prisoners (who are currently on hunger strike in Zenica prison) filed against the F BiH and F BiH Justice Ministry over torture and inhumane behaviour that is being applied in the Zenica prison.</p>

<p>Kovac: FBiH got around laws</p>	<p>Glas Srpske pg 2 ‘The Federation got around laws’ by <u>G. Dakic</u> – carries an interview with BiH Justice Minister Slobodan Kovac, who explained backgrounds of the issue of Zenica prison inmates and he said the file on “Zenica case” was forwarded to BiH Presidency and he will forward it to OHR and BiH Parliament as well at the beginning of this week. He claims he had brought the decision on transfer of inmates on the basis of the Law on execution of crime sanctions, which came in force in March this year. Kovac says RS and F BiH were obliged to harmonise their legislation with this law within 90 days and, since they have failed to do so, he had to intervene because human lives were in question.</p>
<p>Decertified police officers: revision of decertification or hunger strike</p>	<p>Oslobodjenje pg 4 ‘Establish commission or hunger strike’ – The Association of the Decertified police officers from FBiH has stated on Sunday that if BiH Parliament at the next session fails to adopt the proposal on establishing the commission to revise the de-certification process in BiH, their members as well as colleagues from RS will commence with hunger strike.</p>

<p>VL contests process of certification of police officers</p>	<p>Vecernji List, pg 2 'IPTF issued certificates to criminal suspects', by <u>Dejan Jazvic, Branka Stevandic</u> – In light of recent operations in the Podrinje area, when reportedly several active police officers got arrested in connection with committing of war crimes, the article is contesting the process of issuance of police certificates as carried out by the UN IPTF, wondering how it was possible that war crimes suspects get certificated, whilst some police officers, charged with excessive use of forces, were denied the certificate.</p>
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