

OHR BiH Media Round-up, 30/1/2006

Latest radio news broadcast at 12.00 on 30 January

RADIO HERCEG-BOSNA (12,00 hrs)	BH Radio 1 (12,00 hrs)
HR Ashdown's farewell speech	BiH HoR in session
BiH HoR session announcement	Outgoing HR addressed Parliament
On replacing of traffic licenses	Continuing of trial in case 'Zvornik'

TV news broadcast on 29 January

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Ibrahimagic on BiH internal borders	Djogo to spend 30 days in detention	War victims in Kljuc demand justice
BiH HoR on decertified policemen	The number of victims of war in BiH	Djogo refuses to testify
HR to address BiH Parliament	Debate on justice and truth in BiH	"Circle 99" on judiciary system

NTV Hayat (19,00 hrs)	FTV (19,30 hrs)	RTRS (19,30 hrs)
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Citizenships' revision not completed	War victims in Kljuc demand justice	The number of victims of war in BiH

Victims to support lawsuit vs. SiCG	Circle 99 on judiciary system	War crimes-related protests in Kljuc
BH Const. Court on Thic's request	Holocaust Remembrance Day	Cro Army destroyed villages in BiH?

Oslobodjenje	Crescent, Star and a Cross fight a battle on Neretva
Dnevni Avaz	Pretext for RS separation was made [Party for BiH's Halilovic reveals]
Dnevni List	Life behind bars (alleged case of blackmailing in Mostar prison)
Vecernji List	The Pope asking for quicker divorces of religious marriages
Slobodna Dalmacija	Croatia related headlines
Glas Srpske	Trace leads to the Hague (War Crimes against Serbs)
Nezavisne Novine	Thousands winter sports fans enjoyed on Igman mountain
Blic	Schneider: Tihic's motion to CC unfounded and politically-motivated
Vecernje Novosti	Strictly confidential on Mladic (Mladic's associate Djogo case)

LATEST NEWS OF TODAY

<p>HR Ashdown delivers farewell speech to BiH parliament</p>	<p>RHB, BH Radio 1 – High Representative Paddy Ashdown delivered a farewell speech before the BiH Parliament today when he stated that the constitutional reform is one of the biggest challenges of BiH during this year and afterwards so that BiH can become a functional and economic state in accordance with EU demands. Saying that BiH politicians chose the road that leads to Europe, which is difficult but right one, Ashdown stressed that BiH will not achieve the goal through the OHR's door. He added that these decisions cannot be passed in the OHR but in the Parliament that must cooperate just like the BiH CoM. As the biggest failure in his work Ashdown stated the fact that Radovan Karadzic and Ratko Mladic have not been arrested.</p>
<p>EU Foreign Ministers expected to appoint Schwarz-Schilling new EUSR, thank Ashdown for his achievements</p>	<p>RHB – A meeting of EU Foreign Ministers starts in Brussels today. Among the other things, it has been expected that the Foreign Ministers would call on SCiG and BiH to take decisive actions in order to arrest Radovan Karadzic and Ratko Mladic. They would also appoint Christian Schwarz-Schilling a new EUSR and thank Paddy Ashdown.</p>

<p>BiH HoR passed CoM's information on decertified police officers</p>	<p>BH Radio 1 – Mustafa Karahmet– During its session BiH House of Representatives has passed information, submitted by Council of Ministers, on undertaken activities regarding the discussion of the Commission for human rights, migrations and asylum, which is about fulfilling of demands of Association of Decertified Police officers in BiH. BiH Human Rights and Refugees' Minister Mirsad Kebo informed MPs about activities that CoM has taken regarding the inclusion of UN Security Council into this matter. Kebo expressed optimism that police officers would finally be able to exercise their rights to appeal and get explanations for IPTF decisions (on their de-certification).</p> <p>In continuance of the session, MPs will discuss the amendments to the Law on VAT, proposed by CoM, according to which publishing sector is to be exempt from VAT.</p>
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Political Developments	
<p>HR to deliver his farewell speech before BiH HoR</p>	<p>RHB, HAYAT, RTRS, FTV, Oslobođenje pg 4 'Ashdown's farewell speech', Dnevni List pg 6 'High Representative in Parliament today' <u>not signed</u>, EuroBlic pg RS3 'Another farewell' by T. V.– High Representative Paddy Ashdown will deliver his farewell speech before BiH House of Representatives on Monday. According to OHR, Ashdown will once again stress the need for constitutional changes in order for BiH to become an economical and functional state in accordance with the EU requirements.</p>

<p>HR Ashdown: My greatest honour was work with Mothers of Srebrenica</p>	<p>Dnevni Avaz pg 5 'I cried in Potocari', mentioned on cover 'I am not ashamed of my tears in Potocari' <u>Sead Numanovic</u>— In a page long interview for DA, outgoing High Representative Paddy Ashdown summarized his mandate. As his greatest honor HR emphasized the work with Mothers of Srebrenica and establishment of Srebrenica Commission, but as his greatest success he sees his joined work with Chairman of Council of Ministers Adnan Terzic with which they guided BiH through European doors. HR admitted that he cried on many occasions and that last time was few days ago, during his farewell visit to Potocari. Inset 'About Adnan Terzic'- commenting Terzic HR stated that he sees him as friend and partner in reforming processes. Inset, 'About Tihic and Lagumdžija'- commenting SDA leader Slejšman Tihic and SDP leader Zlatko Lagumdžija, stated that he is told that he united two of them in their stance against him. HR admitted that there were some differences between him and Tihic, and stressed that as far as SDP and Lagumdžija are concerned he is convinced that social democracy is BiH's future. Inset, 'About Haris Silajdzic'- commenting SBiH founder Haris Silajdzic, HR stated that he admires his pride. Inset, 'About Dragan Covic'- commenting HDZ leader Dragan Covic, HR admitted that he let him to stay HDZ leader on purpose. HR however stressed that he would have replace him even from this post if the Court had sentenced him.</p>
<p>Ashdown fully supports the European Commission's document on West Balkans</p>	<p>PINK – Outgoing High Representative in BiH Paddy Ashdown fully supports the European Commission's document on West Balkans. Ashdown stressed that it is very important for BiH to continue the reform processes, especially in the field of police, so that Europe can see that BiH is serious on its way to European integration.</p>

<p>Relota (HDZ), Halilovic (SBIH), Limov (SDP) assess HR Ashdown's mandate</p>	<p>Dnevni List, pg 5 'Mandate marked with removals and use of Bonn powers', by <u>Dario Pusic</u> – DL asked several BiH politicians to assess the mandate of the outgoing HR, Paddy Ashdown. HDZ spokesman Miro Relota says the public will assess effects of his engagement, expecting from the new HR Christian Schwarz-Schilling to address economy-related issues more and stop removing officials in BiH. Safet Halilovic from SBIH says that HR Ashdown had to resort to using of his powers in order to start processes, however when it comes to his relationship with certain parties and persons, Halilovic says one can be critical about it. SDP's Tomislav Limov says people have lived worse during Ashdown's mandate, saying that BiH has slowed its pace of EU related reforms when compared to the time the Alliance for changes was in power.</p>
<p>Schwarz-Schilling arrived in Sarajevo</p>	<p>BHT1, Oslobodjenje pg 3, mentioned on cover, 'Christian Schwarz-Schilling arrived in Sarajevo' Dnevni Avaz pg 2, mentioned on cover 'He arrived in the country he loves' by <u>L.Sinanovic</u>, Nezavisne Novine pg 3, announced on cover 'Christian Schwartz-Schilling arrived in BiH' by <u>M. Renner</u>– The new HR Christian Schwarz-Schilling has arrived in Sarajevo. EU Council of Minister will appoint him on Monday for new EU Special Representative in BiH. Schwarz-Schilling will take over his duty on January 31.</p>

Secret talks on RS Government crisis held in Teslic, but without the presence of major RS political parties; Dodik added 43rd name to the list of his supporters

RTRS by Nada Arlov – Presidency of RS Socialist Party have decided to dismiss party's Municipal Board in Teslic, because it ignored decisions made by the Socialist Party leadership, including the decision on forming the coalition only with the left wing parties. Head of Socialist Party Municipal Board Teslic **Dragutin Skrebic** and **Nedjo Djuric** have been expelled from the party, because they refused to cast a vote of no confidence to **Pero Bukejlovic**'s Government. According to RTRS reporter, representatives of People's Democratic Party (NDS), Pensioner's Party, DSS, Democratic Patriotic Party, independent representative in the RS National Assembly **Milosava Jakovljevic**, Skrebic and Djuric attended the secret meeting in Teslic on Saturday. They allegedly signed the agreement on cooperation regarding the activities related to the Prime Minister designate and the new RS Government; but RS reporter speculates that in fact they were discussing the possibility to support Nedjo Djuric as the RS Prime Minister Designate. RTRS tried to contact Djuric, but he refused to make any comments. SDS' **Borislav Bojic** and SRS' **Milanko Mihajlica** confirmed for RTRS that representatives of those two parties did not attend the meeting in Teslic; Mihajlica added that they expect RS president **Dragan Cavic** to invite them to a consultations on the RS PM Designate. RTRS unofficially learns that certain ministers of Bukejlovic's Government attended the meeting in Sokolac on Sunday, but it is not clear what was the meeting about. In the same time, it seems that another name is added to the list of supporters to the most probable PM Designate. *"I can say that we have 43 signatures under the sentence 'We support **Milorad Dodik** as the candidate for PM Designate'"*, Dodik himself said in a telephone statement for RTRS. PDP remains the biggest supporter of Milorad Dodik's Government. *"We will support the PM Designate, and we are looking forward to see what his concept and his ideas would be"*, stated PDP leader **Mladen Ivanic**. The majority of political parties in RS believes that dragging out with the appointment of PM Designate is not good for anybody; representatives of parties who cast a vote of no confidence to Bukejlovic's Government hope that RS President will end this 'political agony' and appoint PM Designate in seven days time.

<p>New caucus of ten members was established in Teslic on Saturday evening; SNSD's Spiric: this is SDS's trick; SDS's Bosic denies this is a trick of SDS</p>	<p>Nezavisne Novine pg 3 'New caucus was established' by <u>D. Risojevic</u> – A new caucus of ten members, ranking 3rd by its power at RS NA, was established in Teslic on Saturday evening, as member of the newly-established caucus Dragutin Skrebic confirmed. According to Skrebic, members of the new caucus are four members of Center Club (Ruza Nikic from RS Pensioners Party, Rajko Todorcevic from NDS, Radivoje Trbic from SPAS, Dusko Vukotic from DS), expelled members of SP Dragutin Skrebic and Nedjo Djuric, expelled member of Party for BiH Milosava Jakovljevic, Darko Jotanovic from DPS, and Predrag Kovacevic and Jezdimir Kazanovic, both from DSS. Inset 'Spiric: Trick of SDS' – SNSD member Nikola Spiric said the establishing of a new caucus is a trick of SDS and most probably an introduction to the games regarding the PM designate with an aim to waste time. SDS's Mladen Bosic denied this was a trick of SDS and claims he learned about the new caucus from journalists.</p> <p>Glas Srpske pg 5 'Small ones united' by <u>M. S.</u> – also carries statement of Skrebic with regard to establishing of the caucus.</p>
<p>SNSD's Dodik: RS President Cavic might nominate PM designates that would not have support, leading to RS NA dismissal</p>	<p>Glas Srpske pg 5 'Unnecessary stalling' by <u>S. R. T.</u> – On Saturday in Bijeljina, SNSD Chairman Milorad Dodik stated it is possible RS President Dragan Cavic would nominate PM designates from parties that do not have the Assembly majority and support, which would lead to dismissal of RS NA. <i>'In that case, three times 40 days would pass, and we would enter pre-election campaign. It is obvious Milorad Dodik is no longer a problem for Cavic, but our program concept is'</i>, Dodik stated. Dnevni List, pg 8 'Dodik expects participation in forming of Government', <u>not signed</u> also carried Dodik's statement on the issue.</p>

<p>DNS: PM designate would get DNS's support only if he develops a quality program</p>	<p>EuroBlic pg RS2, announced on cover 'PM designate needs signatures of at least 42 delegates' by <u>G. Savic</u>, Glas Srpske pg 5 'Program before support' by <u>P. S.</u> – DNS Chairman Marko Pavic stated DNS is of the view RS President Dragan Cavic should give the task of composing of the new RS Government to the person who would get support of 42 delegates and, in case Cavic fails to accept the person who gets RS NA majority support, he would create a crisis and show he is an irresponsible politician. He added PM designate would get DNS's support only if he [PM designate] develops a quality program that would focus on preservation of large companies, development of economy, creation of jobs and systematic resolving of social issues.</p>
<p>NN op-ed: politicians are fighting for chairs, showing how much they care about citizens</p>	<p>Nezavisne Novine op-ed pg 7 'Worries from chair' by <u>Rubina Cengic</u> – The author notes nowadays, eight months before the elections – when everyone should be pleasing voters, politicians are fighting for chairs, showing how much they care about citizens and she only wishes voters would remember this when they go out to vote.</p>
<p>Chair of CoM Terzic: I am satisfied if vote of no-confidence would be cast because of agreement within parties</p>	<p>Dnevni Avaz pg 2 'One who makes deals has to take over the responsibility', mentioned on cover by <u>a. Malagic</u> – Commenting the SDS's announcement that they would take final stance toward the Council of Ministers, where even casting of no-confidence vote was mentioned, Chair of the CoM Adnan Terzic stated that he is satisfied that this would not happen because he and his government did not work well. <i>"If the vote of no-confidence is cast based on the agreement among parties, that is appropriate for any democratic country"</i> said Terzic. Terzic stressed that he would use this time to fulfill obligations regarding BiH's European path, stressing that parties that are making deals have to take responsibility for them.</p>

<p>SBiH's Halilovic: talks on const, changes were directed toward separation of the RS</p>	<p>Dnevni Avaz cover pg splash and pg 2 'Pretext for RS separation was made' by <u>S. Numanovic</u>– Speaking for DA, SBiH official Safet Halilovic said that he is not so unhappy by interruption of negotiations on constitutional chances, stressing that real question is whether these were talks directed toward change of the Constitution or toward maintaining of current constitutional status.</p> <p><i>"What was really going on during the talks can be interpreted as an attempt to maintain the current Dayton arrangement while allegedly talking about its changes and to upgrade it even more by regulations that would assist the strengthening of the RS and creation of assumptions for its final separation"</i> said Halilovic. Halilovic revealed for DA that SDA leader Sulejman Tihic and SDP leader Zlatko Lagumdzija have accepted such solutions, but that everything failed thanks to 'huge appetites/unrealistic aspirations' of SNSD's Milorad Dodik.</p>
<p>Co Chair of RS Council of Peoples Krajic: Croats are constitutive only at highest levels of authorities</p>	<p>Oslobodjenje pg 7 'Croats constituent only at top of authorities' by <u>Miralem Begic</u>– Co-Chair of RS Peoples' Council and former member of Constitutive commission during the implementation of amendments on constitutionality of peoples, Pejo Krajic stated that these amendments are being carried out only at highest levels of authority, while there are no employed Croats at lower levels. Krajic stated that these amendments should be regulated through entities' laws, but that RS Government and RSNA are avoiding to complete this procedure, by which they are violating the Constitution.</p>

Crime/Legal Proceedings/Judiciary

Former Mladic's
officer Djogo
refuses to
testify

RHB, PINK, BHT1, HAYAT, FTV, RTRS by Drasko Milinovic – Retired RS Army Colonel and former chief of **Ratko Mladic's** personal security **Jovan Djogo**, who was arrested on Thursday under suspicion of protecting Mladic and helping him to hide, defended himself with silence during the interrogation in Belgrade Police. Djogo's attorney announced on Sunday that his client would have to spend next 30 days in detention; he added that he would lodge a complaint on this 'unfounded' decision. Serbian Minister of Justice **Zoran Stojkovic** confirmed that former RS Army officer was arrested under suspicion of assisting Ratko Mladic to avoid capture, and explained that he did not know anything about this arrest on Saturday because the apprehension was in police's jurisdiction. In the same time, leader of Demo-Christian Party **Vladan Batic** believes that the apprehension of Djogo is nothing but a smoke screen aimed at protecting the real structure that hides Ratko Mladic. German Ambassador to SCG **Andreas Zobel** warned Serbian authorities that the European Union lost its patience waiting for Mladic to be apprehended and transferred to the Hague. SDA was the only BiH party that reacted on the information about Djogo's apprehension; they claim that Djogo was the head of RS Information office in Belgrade, and that the building called 'Bosnian House' – where he used to work – is used as the main office of persons who are helping war crimes indictees.

Dnevni Avaz pg 9 'One month detention set for Jovo Djogo', **Oslobodjenje** pg 5 'Arrested Jovo Djogo is under civic authority' by Fena, **Vecernji List** pg 2 'Mladic's bodyguard arrested' by V. Rupcic, **Dnevni List** pg 'Network of Ratko Mladic's supporters broken?!' not signed also covered the issue. DL says that many people believe that in this way a circle around Ratko Mladic is tightening.

Vecernje Novosti cover pg splash and pg 5 'Strictly confidential on Mladic' by E. Radosavljevic, **Nezavisne Novine** pg 2 'Djogo defended with silence' by N. N., **EuroBlic** pg 5 'Tomic and Pavkovic were issuing orders for harborers' by Nikola M. Jovanovic, **Glas Srpske** pg 2 'Djogo is defending himself with silence' by Srna – Investigation against retired RS Army Colonel Jovo Djogo was marked as confidential.

<p>Citizens in Kljuc protest because war crimes committed in this area are still not processed</p>	<p>FTV, RTRS, BHT1 by <u>Mirza Sadikovic</u> – Several hundreds of citizens of Kljuc gathered at memorial cemetery in Velagici to protest because the war crimes committed in this area are still not prosecuted. During the 1992, about 600 persons from this area were killed, and several hundreds imprisoned in camps. So far, no indictments for these war crimes were raised. Former inmate Jasmin Delic announced that similar protests are going to repeat every month until the situation changes. Features statements of family members of war crime victims who hope for justice.</p>
<p>GS: ICTY misplaced documents on Sijekovac crimes</p>	<p>Glas Srpske cover pg splash ‘Trace leads to the Hague’ by <u>V. J.</u> – The article reads documents on crimes against Serbs in Sijekovac were forwarded to ICTY in July 2003 and also reads ICTY now claims they have no knowledge on this case. Lawyer Predrag Radulovic says he will again demand for an explanation in this case, while the Chairman of the Association for Searching after Imprisoned Soldiers and Missing Civilians from Brod Municipality, Marko Grabovac, announced they would not give up and they would forward evidence on crimes to BiH Prosecutor’s Office.</p>
<p>The Justice and the Truth in BiH – Progress and Obstacles public debate held in Sarajevo</p>	<p>BHT1, FTV, PINK by <u>Zeljko Mandic</u>, Dnevni Avaz pg 8 ‘Courts were never more swamped’- Oslobodjenje pg 3, mentioned on cover, ‘Which citizenship have war criminals?!’ by <u>A.B.</u>, Nezavisne Novine pg 4 ‘Three national truths in BiH’ by <u>Agencies</u> – Non-governmental organization ‘Women for women’ and Independent Intellectuals’ Association ‘Circle 99’ organized on Sunday in Sarajevo the public debate named ‘The justice and the truth in BiH – progress and obstacles’. Participants stressed that the articulation of justice and the search for the individual responsibility are the only acceptable alternatives. <i>“It is the right time to stir up the domestic development strategies, which would not only oppose the systematic violation of human rights, but also enable the beginning of process of establishing the trust between citizens and the state”,</i> said Ibro Bulic, Prosecutor for War Crimes at BiH Prosecutor’s Office. ‘Circle 99’ member and the Head of Jewish Community in BiH Jakob Finci expressed certainty that multiple truths about the war in BiH would eventually become only one, commonly accepted truth.</p>

Information and Documentation Centre collected 95,000 names of persons killed or disappeared during the war	<p>PINK, RTRS by <u>Stela Jungic</u>, Oslobodjenje pg 4 'Tokaca: 95.000 victims is horrifying number' Dnevni Avaz pg 2 '95.000 persons killed or missing' – Ten years after the end of the war in BiH, the exact number of killed or disappeared persons has not yet been established. Guests of RTRS magazine 'Under the carpet' agreed that missing persons should be the priority, regardless of their ethnic, national or religious affiliation. President of the Information and Documentation Centre Sarajevo Mirsad Tokaca stated that his organisation collected 95,000 names of persons killed or disappeared during the war in BiH. Tokaca stressed that he expects additional 5,000 names to be collected, which would make total of 100,000 victims of war in BiH. Member of the RS Office for Missing Persons Milan Ivancevic said that the main problem is the lack of information about missing persons; so far, RS Office for Missing Persons exhumed 2,774 bodies, out of which 1,998 have been identified. Adnan Rizvic from International Commission for Missing Persons emphasized the importance of the usage of modern DNA technology; he added that Commission so far made more than 7,500 DNA reports.</p>
Oslobodjenje op-ed comments on discussion before BiH CC on Entity symbols: True meaning of four S [Cyrillic]	<p>Oslobodjenje op-ed pg 9 'Four S [Cyrillic], harder to breath' by <u>Josip Vricko</u>– Author comments on recent discussion before the BiH Constitutional Court, regarding the constitutionality of entities' symbols, stressing that this discussion is much more political then legal. Author also comments on RS legal representative Hans Peter Schneider who was trying to explain meaning of four S letters [Cyrillic], when the entire world knows the meaning of this.</p>
SDS's Bojic and PDP's Trifkovic: RS symbols are not discriminatory	<p>Glas Srpske pg 3 'Neither insult, nor obstacle' <u>not signed</u> – SDS delegate Borislav Bojic assessed that, during the discussion of BiH Constitutional Court on RS insignia, RS representatives showed through arguments that symbols of RS were neither discriminatory nor an obstacle to return process. PDP delegate Nevenka Trifkovic too thinks there is nothing discriminatory in RS symbols.</p>

Economic/Social Affairs

<p>BiH Central Bank Vice-Governor on the functioning of banking sector in BiH</p>	<p>PINK by <u>Dragica Tojagic</u> – BiH Central Bank Vice-Governor Ljubisa Vladusic thinks that it is not necessary to abolish the entity Agencies for Banking; instead, he believes that the Supervision Board, authorized to monitor the work of both agencies, should be established. Experts believe that both Agencies for Banking in RS and F BiH are carrying out their duties in a highly professional manner, but due to increased globalisation in banking sector, it is necessary to improve the supervision. The number of banks present in BiH should be reduced during next few years; Vladusic believes that five or six biggest banks would eventually have the final say in the banking sector. BH CB Vice-Governor stressed that the interest rates have been slightly reduced during 2005; he expects that this trend will continue in 2006.</p>
<p>Oslobodjenje on construction in Mostar Central Zone: Does Mostar need Islamic Community Centre?</p>	<p>Oslobodjenje cover pg splash and pgs 4-5 'Young Moon, Star and a Cross fight a battle on Neretva' by <u>Asaf Becirovic</u>– Author writes about planned building of Islamic Centre in Mostar's central zone. However, as author wrote, authorities of Islamic Community never got necessary licensees from the City Administration, even though the first request was sent in 2001. It is significant, as author writes, that building of the Centre is predicted on location where numerous objects were built illegally, some on property of Islamic community, such as Croat National Theater, building of F BiH Government, building of INTEGRA and so on.</p>

<p>DA: FBiH Budget prepared, but unknown whether would be passed</p>	<p>Dnevni Avaz pg 4 'Briga: We are not abandoning our demands' by <u>A. Dedajic</u>– FBiH Finance Minister Dragan Vrankic confirmed for DA that new budget proposal for 2006 was submitted to the FBiH Government, stressing that it could be discussed by the parliament immediately, if the government wasn't in troubles because of missing Ministers. Chair of SBiH Caucus in FBiH House of Representatives Ismet Briga stressed that this party is still insisting on its demands, without which they would not support the budget.</p>
<p>Trade Union warns that BiH could face mass protests</p>	<p>Dnevni Avaz pg 'BiH before waves of strikes and mass prtests of workers' by <u>E. P.</u>– Chairman of BiH Independent Trade Unions Edhem Biber stressed for DA that BiH is already disturbed by numerous announcements of employees' dismissals, due to reduced production, cased by employers' incapability to pay income VAT. Because of that Biber has announced 'wave' of strikes and mass protests.</p>

<p>BiH HoR to decide on exemption of publishing from VAT; majority of parties support the proposal</p>	<p>Dnevni List, pg 2 'Discussion on reports about rights of de-certified police officers', <u>not signed</u> – The BiH House of Representatives should be discussing during Monday's session the issue of de-certified police officers i.e. the Information that was prepared by the BiH Council of Ministers regarding the issue. According to an information coming from the office of Chairman of BiH CoM, the HoR will also discuss changes and amendments to the VAT law, which were adopted at the last session of the BiH CoM.</p> <p>Dnevni Avaz pg 10 'Is publishing going to be exempt from VAT' <u>by S. Skuletic</u>– As DA comments the conclusion that could be drawn from statements of parties' representatives in BiH House of Representatives, is that majority of them is supporting and deems as justified the exemption of publishing from VAT. Proposal for exemption of VAT was submitted by Council of Ministers and is to be discussed on Monday by BiH HoR. Daily carried statements of SDP, SDA, SNSD and BiH Free Democrats who are all going to support the exemption, while SDS MPs in BiH HoR would not. Nezavisne Novine pg 3 'Presenting of stances on changes to VAT Law today' <u>by R. C.</u>, Oslobodjenje pg 4 'Amendments to Law on VAT on agenda' also announced the session.</p>
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<p>UNDP: More than two 2/3 of people in BiH believe privatization process in BiH was conducted unfairly</p>	<p>Dnevni List, pg 9 'Privatization process conducted unfairly', by <u>Ivana Rozic</u> – According to a research conducted by the UNDP, the privatization process in BiH was conducted in an unfair manner. 80,9% of citizenry (interviewees) in the RS believe the process was unfair, whilst in the areas with Bosniak majority in the FBiH the number of people that think the same is 77,5%. In the areas with Croat majority in the FBiH, the number is 71,8%.</p> <p>Regarding current economic situation, interviewees see it as completely bad, namely 74,5% of interviewees from the RS think that way, the numbers for the Bosniak and Croat majority areas in the FBiH are 66,1 and 45,8% respectively.</p>
<p>Chairman of RS Chamber of Commerce Micic urges politicians to resolve crisis; RS Minister of Economy Gligoric thinks the political situation will affect economy</p>	<p>EuroBlic pg RS2, announced on cover 'Negotiations with foreign partners were stopped' by <u>Tijana Veselinovic</u> – Chairman of RS Chamber of Commerce Mladen Micic noted possible German investors stopped negotiations with RS several days ago due to political uncertainty in RS, therefore Micic urged politicians to resolve the situation as soon as possible, for the sake of RS businessmen. RS Minister of Economy, Energy and Mining Miladin Gligoric also thinks the political situation will have an impact on economy.</p>