OHR BiH Media Round-up, 30/7/2005

TV news broadcast onJuly 29, 2005

RADIO HERCEG-BOSNA (18,00 hrs)	TV PINK (18,00 hrs)	BHT 1 (19,00 hrs)
Transmission problems	Comments on invitation to Karadzic	Comments on Ljiljana Karadzic
	NATO on invitation to Karadzic	BHT poll on Karadzic's surrender
	Continuing of police reform	Regional News
	Passing of laws on defence	Rajic's case before BIH WCC?

NTV Hayat (19,00 hrs)	FTV (19,30 hrs)	RTRS (19,30 hrs)	
Continuing of police reform	Weather	Reactions to Zelen- Karadzic's plea	
Audit in BiH Institutions	Comments on Ljiljana Karadzic	Regional news	
Belgrade Court on arrest warns	Comments on Ljiljana Karadzic	EUFOR examining Sector Security	
Comments on invitation to Karadzic	Comments on Ljiljana Karadzic	Police reform meeting	

Oslobodjenje	Pale are silent, NATO and EUFOR welcome the act	
Dnevni Avaz	I believe Karadzic would surrender	
Dnevni List	Armed soldiers frightened children	

Vecernji List	Evacuation of citizens and fish pestilence [a tanker	
	transporting 33,000 l of fuel went off road between	
	Grude and Ljubuski]	
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Novine		
Glas Srpske	Civilisational shame	

Reactions on appeal to R. Karadzic to surrender

NATO, EUFOR, HR,
CoM Chair, RS
Govt, RS MoI
greeted
Ljiljana's
appeal to her
husband to
surrender

TV Pink, RTRS, FTV, Nezavisne Novine cover pg splash, pgs 2-3 'It is Radovan Karadzic's move' <u>not signed</u>, **Glas srpske** pg 5 'Paddy Ashdown: in the interest of everyone' by Beta, Glas Srpske pg 5 'NATO and EUFOR Commanders: surrender is the only solution' not <u>signed</u>, Glas Srpske pg 5 'Matijasevic: Honestly and bravely' <u>by M.</u> Mi., Glas Srpske pg 5 'The Government welcomed the appeal' by G. <u>Dakic and D. Trisic</u>, <u>Oslobodjenje</u> cover pg splash and pgs 4-5 'Pale are silent, EUFOR and NATO welcome the act' by Antonio Prlenda, Oslobodjenje pg 4 'Paddy Ashdown; In the best interest of everyone', Oslobodjenje pg 4 'Terzic: International Community is late with pressures' by Fena, Oslobodjenje pg 5 'Matijasevic: brave and honest appeal', Oslobodjenje pgs 4-5 'In the interest of credibility of RS', Dnevni Avaz pg 4 'I hope he will follow the message' by Fena, inset 'Terzic: It will be easier for everyone' — After Ljiljana Zelen Karadzic gave statement to Associated Press, inviting her husband Radovan Karadzic to surrender, stressing that their family is in jeopardy, many reactions have followed in BiH and region. Zelen Karadzic's invitation was greeted by NATO, Chair of BiH CoM and RS Government. HR Paddy Ashdown feels that a big step forward was made with this act under the condition that Karadzic will follow the message from his wife. "I think everyone knows that LJiljana has a considerable influence on her husband", stated Ashdown. NATO issued a statement, which says that Karadzic's surrender would be in best interest of his family and whole BiH, stressing that NATO is convinced that Karadzic has received a message and that NATO will not exclude the possibility that his wife or someone from his family know where he is. EUFOR Commander David Leakey stated that he is not surprised by reaction of Karadzic's wife, stressing that International Community is increasing pressure to BiH Institutions as well as to Karadzic's family. CoM Chair Adnan Terzic stated that the key issue here is whether Karadzic will listen to his wife or not, stressing that the International Community should have made pressure on his family a long time before. RS Government has also greeted this invitation, estimating it as highly courageous gesture. "Many times before the Government has said that we are truly, not just on words but in action as well, dedicated on cooperation', said Svetlana Cenic, RS Minister of Finances. RS Ministry of Interior has stated that this invitation of Zelen Karadzic, presents contribution to affirmation of RS MoI's dedication, to solve issue of cooperation with the ICTY trough system of voluntarily surrender of all those indicted for war crimes. RS Minister of Interior Darko Matijasevic feels that this

act was very brave.

BHT1 carried statements of HR and EUFOR.

BHT1 - EUFOR Commander David Leakey stated that EUFOR received information that Karadzic is not in BIH.

TV Hayat carried statement of NATO Commander Stephen Schook as saying that they believe that Karadzic has received a message, adding that NATO doesn't exclude the possibility that his family knows where he is.

Dnevni List pg 4 'Karadzic searches for an alibi for voluntary
 surrender?!' by Arijana Beus - EUFOR Commander.

DF's Kunic: good decision; SRS and Radjevic: the appeal was result of pressures

Glas Srpske pg 5 'The Government welcomed the appeal' by G. Dakic
 and D. Trisic - apart from the above mentioned statement of RS
Minister of Finances Svetlana Cenic, the paper carries reactions of
RS parties - DF's Petar Kunic thinks Ljiljana Karadzic has made a
 good decision, while SRS's Milanko Mihajlica and delegate at RS
Council of Peoples Desanka Radjevic think the appeal was a result of
 pressures exerted on the family. PDP's Velimir Sakan said he could
 not comment until he had more information.

SDS: it is
inappropriate to
disturb family
like the
Karadzics;
SNSD and PDP
welcome the
appeal

Nezavisne Novine cover pg splash, pgs 2-3 'It is Radovan Karadzic's move' not signed — apart from reporting on the above mentioned statements, NN also carries reaction of SDS's Stanko Pivasevic who said it was inappropriate to disturb a family that faces problems like the Karadzics. SNSD's Milorad Dodik and PDP's Goran Milojevic welcomed the appeal, while SDP's Zlatko Lagumdzija refused to comment because 'everyone had been appealing to him to surrender and nothing happened'.

Oslobodjenje pg 5 'It would be a relief for everyone' by Onasa – carries Dodik's statement.

Luka Karadzic does not agree with appeal to Radovan to surrender BHT1 Report by <u>Boris Grubesic</u>, <u>Nezavisne Novine</u> cover pg splash, pgs 2-3 'It is Radovan Karadzic's move' <u>not signed</u>, <u>Glas srpske</u> pg 5 'Pressures became unbearable' <u>by Z. Ma.</u>, <u>Dnevni List</u> pg 4 'Karadzic searches for an alibi for voluntary surrender?!' <u>by Arijana Beus</u> — <u>Luka Karadzic</u>, <u>Radovan Karadzic</u>'s brother, stated for BHT that he doesn't agree with call on surrender and concludes that the statement was a result of a continuous pressure on the family. He added that he doesn't understand why the International Community did not attempt to arrest Karadzic in 1998 when he was not hiding. BHT reporter reminded that International forces had several futile attempts to arrest Karadzic.

TV Hayat, FTV, RTRS — also carry Luka Karadzic's statement.

Reactions in SiCG: Tadic, Ljajic and Draskovic welcomed the appeal BHT1, FTV, TV Hayat, Nezavisne Novine cover pg splash, pgs 2-3 'It is Radovan Karadzic's move' not signed, Glas srpske pg 5 'Epilogue is awaited for' by A. T. — Serbian President Boris Tadic welcomed Ljiljana Karadzic's statement urging her husband, Radovan, to surrender adding that his surrender would increase the stability of the region. Rasim Ljajic President of the SiCG National Council for cooperation with the ICTY also welcomed Ljiljana's statement. He added if Radovan Karadzic surrendered than Ratko Mladic should be expected to surrender as well. Vuk Draskovic Minister of Foreign Affairs stated that Ljiljana should have mentioned sufferings of RS and Serbs in her statement.

RTRS, Dnevni Avaz pg 4 'Surrender would get the region closer to EU'

by Tanjug — carried statement of Boris Tadic.

Glas srpske pg 5 'Epilogue is awaited for' <u>by A. T.</u> — also carries statements of Serbian Democratic Party and Serbian Socialist Party who welcomed the appeal, while Serbian SRS believes the appeal was a result of pressures exerted on Karadzic family.

Dnevni List pg 4 'Karadzic searches for an alibi for voluntary
 surrender?!' by Arijana Beus - Ljajic's statement.

Dnevni Avaz pg 4 'She should have said both state and people are in jeopardy' by Fena - statement of Vuk Draskovic.

ICTY representative Hellman welcomes the appeal	BHT1, Oslobodjenje pg 4 'Tribunal wants concrete actions' by Onasa, Dnevni Avaz pg 4 'Hague Tribunal wants concrete actions' by Onasa — Matias HellmanICTY Outreach Office representative in BiH also positively evaluated Ljiljana's statement adding that in the case of "Karadzic's refusal to surrender BIH authorities must continue with their attempts to arrest him".
EUFOR Commander Leakey: I believe Karadzic would surrender	Dnevni Avaz cover pg splash and pg 5 'I believe Karadzic would surrender' by Sead Numanovic — in an interview to DA, EUFOR Commander David Leakey said he believes Radovan Karadzic would surrender and he said he was glad Ljiljana had decided to appeal to her husband to surrender.
SDU's Tokic: this was a logical move	Oslobodjenje pg 5 'Appeal to surrender was a logical move' by Onasa — SDU's Sejfudin Tokic welcomes the appeal and thinks it was a logical move that might result in extradition of Karadzic to the Hague Tribunal. He resented the pathetic tone of the appeal.
Masovic doubts the appeal was honest	Dnevni Avaz pg 4 'Masovic doubts in honesty while Tokic resents pathetic manner' by L, Sinanovic — Chairman of F BiH Commission for Missing Persons Amor Masovic doubts the appeal was sincere and honest and, even if it was, he thinks Karadzic is too great coward to surrender.
Hasecic: more dust in eyes	Dnevni Avaz pg 4 'Hasecic: more dust in eyes' by S. S. — The Chair of the Association "Women — victims of war" Bakira Hasecic had an impression the appeal was a sort of a play of the international community and Ljiljana Karadzic and she thinks this represented only more dust in eyes.
Bishop Grigorije: the act means Ljiljana loves her husband	RTRS — Bishop Grigorije stated that this act means that Karadzic's wife loves him unlike those who flatter him and lie to him.
World media reports on the appeal of Ljiljana Karadzic	Nezavisne Novine pg 2 'Surprising and dramatic' by N. N. — the article reads all world media reported on the appeal of Ljiljana Zelen-Karadzic to Radovan Karadzic to surrender. The article also carries short summaries of the reports as published by the New York Times, British papers, the Guardian, French and German media. Glas Srpske pg 5 'Dramatic message' by Beta — carries a similar report.
NN op-ed: the appeal should be taken seriously	Nezavisne Novine op-ed pg 7 'Appeal to surrender' by Dragan Risojevic — the author says the appeal of Ljiljana Zelen-Karadzic must be taken the most seriously, at least because of a drastic change in her way of thinking — until recently she had been categorically refusing to appeal to her husband to surrender.
VL: are foreign intelligence agents trying to apprehend or hide Radovan Karadzic?	Vecernji List pgs 18-19 'Intelligence games' by Zoran Kresic — the article refers to the appeal of Ljiljana Zelen Karadzic and speculates on whether foreign intelligence agents in BiH were here with the task to apprehend Radovan Karadzic or to help him hide himself. It also claims Croatian intelligence agencies have, on several occasions, informed MI6 on Karadzic's and Mladic's whereabouts, yet no action followed such information.

Police/defence reforms

Terzic:
Negotiations
on police
reform to
continue in
15 days

RTRS, BHT1, TV Hayat, TV Pink - Meeting between HR Paddy Ashdown and representatives of entity Governments and Council of Ministers on police reform hasn't produced concrete results. CoM Chairman Adnan Terzic stated that it was agreed with RS PM Pero Bukejlovic and RS Minister of Interior Darko Matijasevic that the negotiations will be continued in 15 days. Final proposal of police reform in BIH should be prepared by a work group that will be composed of entity Prime ministers, Ministers of Interior and CoM Representatives. Terzic also stated that he agrees with Bukejlovic that the concrete proposal for police reform should be sent into parliament procedure before agreeing it with the representatives of political parties. Matijasevic stated that the work on police reform continues and added that the solution will be found within entity and state institutions. Terzic concluded that negotiations on police reform could occur daily until police reform is finally agreed upon. Nezavisne Novine pg 5 'New negotiations mid August' by D. Risojevic, Glas srpske pg 2 'Acceleration in August' by G. D., **Dnevni List** pg 5 'New talks on police reform mid August' by Nina, Oslobodjenje pg 3, announced on cover 'It is not agreed until everything is agreed upon' not signed, Dnevni Avaz pg 2 'Police reform talks will continue on August 15' by A. Malagic - carry similar reports.

DF's Kunic asked from RS parties to create police reform model that would not foresee abolishment of RS

FTV — Petar Kunic from Democratic Forum asked from the political parties from RS to make a model that will not include the annulment of RS adding that the proposed model of police reform by chair of Police

Reform Commission Wilfred Martens is dishonourable. DS from RS issued statement requesting from RS representatives in the process of police reform to insist for Bijeljina to be one of the regional HQ of future police.

Nezavisne Novine pg 8 'A new police model must be found' by Srna, Glas Srpske pg 2 'Nothing aside the constitution' by D. T. — also carry DF's statement.

SRS "Dr. Vojislav Seselj" does not support police reform negotiations

Glas Srpske pg 2 'Negotiations without
 support' by M. S. - SRS "Dr. Vojislav
 Seselj" has stated this party does not
 support police reform negotiations and it
 criticized the manner in which
 negotiations are being carried out.

Gregorian:
additional
progress in
defence
reform is
not evident;
Matijasevic:
time is a
key factor
in defence
reform

TV Pink, BHT1, FTV, RTRS, Nezavisne Novine pg 6 'To adopt defence laws in as shortest time as possible' by Srna, Glas Srpske pg 2 'No more postponements' by V. Bu., Dnevni Avaz pg 2 'It is frustrating the entities are doing nothing to adopt defence laws' not signed— BiH Law on Defence and Law on Army Service should be passed by BiH Parliament by the end of September and in Entities' Parliaments by the end of August as it was concluded on Friday by the Joint Commission for security and defensive policy, who have invited all relevant subjects to fulfil given deadlines. Co-Chair of DRC Raffi **Gregorian** stated that additional progress in defence reform is not evident, because there are activities that have to be taken now by Entities' Governments and Parliaments. "Frankly speaking, there is no action, either in FBiH or in RS from the side of Governments or Parliaments so that these laws and these issues would be put on the agenda", said Gregorian. RTRS - BIH Defence Minister Nikola Radovanovic stated that time is a key factor in defence reform since many solutions are connected to the next fiscal year. "Every postponement seriously complicates the possibility of implementation of the law", stated Radovanovic.

Police/security issues/legal proceedings

EUFOR: raids
in security
companies
were not
related to
arresting of
PIWFCs

TV Pink, TV Hayat, FTV, RTRS, Nezavisne Novine pg 9 'EUFOR is reviewing the confiscated equipment and documentation' by S. Karic and D. Muminovic, Glas Srpske pg 3 'Investigation continues' by 0. M., Oslobodjenje pg 3 'The aim of action were not PIWFCs' by Fena - EUFOR Spokesperson Chris Evans stated that Thursday's coordinated action in several security Companies in BiH was conducted with a goal to investigate on possible anti-Dayton activities, stressing that EUFOR has confiscated certain documents and several computers. Evans has denied that Thursday's action had anything to do with arresting of war crimes indictees. Evans didn't want to comment on the contents of the materials that they have confiscated or whether it was determined that any of the mentioned Companies was violating the Dayton Peace Agreement.

Owner of
Puma-Buntic
Security:
competition
foisted
investigation
on this
company

FTV - Milenko Buntic, owner of PUMA - Buntic Security, in his interview for FTV stated that the competition foisted on his company these investigations adding that he intends to publish these names.

Puma Security
denies
explosives
were found in
their
premises
during the
search

Vecernji List pgs 2-3, announced on cover
 'Puma denies explosives were found at
 their premises' by Zoran Kresic and
 Dalibor Ravic, Dnevni List pg 8 'We are
not in possession of illegal weapons and
explosives' by Nermin Bise — Puma Buntic
Security rejected claims explosives were
found in their premises and confiscated
during the EUFOR search of the premises.
On the other hand, EUFOR has stated the
found explosives were subject to further
investigation.

Buntic family: EUFOR soldiers frightened children Dnevni List cover pg splash and pgs 8-9
 'Armed soldiers frightened children' by
 Nermin Bise — Buntic family described
 EUFOR search of their house in Bivolje
 Brdo village near Capljina and said
 children (8 and 6) were frightened by
soldiers who have pointed weapons at them.
 Mirko Buntic, who has a heart condition,
went unconscious during the action because
he was not allowed to take breakfast and
 his pills.

Marinkovic: trials in war crimes cases will commence soon at BiH Court Nezavisne Novine pg 4, announced on cover 'First trials of war crimes cases to commence soon' by A. Sisic — in an interview to NN, the Chief of the Special Department of BiH Prosecution for war crimes, Vaso Marinkovic, has stated first trials in war crimes cases will commence at BiH Court after vacations. Referring to the arrests of war crimes suspects at the end of June in the area of Srebrenica, Marinkovic said this was only the beginning of a process that will be under the control of this Department.

Audits/economy

BiH Chief
Auditor Sego:
 lack of
 internal
 controls
 causes
 problems

TV Hayat, TV Pink, BHT1, FTV, RTRS - Audit Office for Auditing of BiH Institutions' Financial Affairs has published a report, in which stresses that mild progress has been made, but that non-transparent and exceeded spending is still present, emphasising that there are lacks in internal controls, organizing and managing system, there is no written procedures. Audit Office has audited 38 Institutions, and auditors have given positive opinion to 9 and 29 reserved opinions, while last year 4 reports were negative. Chief Auditor, Milenko Sego stressed that lack of internal controls is causing all possible problems. Sego emphasised the example of Constitutional Court , which acquired vehicle without approval of the Ministry in charge. Auditors have had remarks about Investment Conference in Mostar, and Kovincic stressed that this organization goes trough Organizing Board, which is irregular, being that this Board doesn't have status of legal person. Nezavisne Novine pg 5 'No negative reports on spending of public funds' by N. Krsman, Glas Srpske pg 4 'They were spending aside the procedure' by Srna, Vecernji List pg 4 'Excessive expenditures for travels' by Eldina Medunjanin, Dnevni List pg 6, announced on cover 'Covic again took advantage of the state' by Erna Mackic carry similar reports.

CoM Chair
Terzic visited
ITA, discussed
VAT
implementation
with ITA
Director
Causevic

TV Pink, RTRS, Glas Srpske pg 4 'Revenues as in accordance with plan' by D. V. M., Vecernji List pg 2 'PM Terzic was informed with plans' by vr, Dnevni List pg 4 'Penalties for unregistered taxpayers 5000 KM' <u>by Dario Pusic</u>, **Oslobodjenje** pg 2 'Deadline for registration of VAT taxpayers expires on September 30' not signed— Chair of BiH Council of Ministers, Adnan Terzic has visited Indirect Taxation Agency, where he talked to ITA Director Kemal Causevic about implementation of VAT and they have reminded that deadline for registration is September 30th. ITA stated that Terzic and Causevic have also talked about issues regarding custom tariffs and custom terminals, which have to be solved in order to coordinate performance in FBiH and RS. It was concluded that possibility on establishing of Public Company for managing of Custom Terminals, will be discussed.

Aluminij
shareholders
agreed to
accept
agreement with
F BiH Govt

Dnevni Avaz pg 9 'Agreement between
 "Aluminij" and F BiH Government was
 accepted' by F. Vele - "Aluminij"
Shareholders assembly Friday adopted draft
 guidelines for an agreement on resolving
 open issues between F BiH Government and
 this firm, as Chairman of the assembly Ivo
 Lasic has confirmed.

Political developments

RS PM
Bukejlovic
asks from HR
to form a
commission
to
investigate
crimes
against
Serbs in
Sarajevo

TV Hayat, BHT1, RTRS, Nezavisne Novine pg 4 'Bukejlovic asks for Sarajevo Commission' by S. Gojkovic, Glas Srpske pg 3 'Truth on Sarajevo as well!' by G. K., Oslobodjenje pg 2 'To establish a commission on sufferings of Serbs in Sarajevo' <u>by Onasa</u> - RS Prime- Minister Pero Bukejlovic has asked High Representative Paddy Ashdown to use his authority to establish a commission, which would investigate sufferings of Sarajevo Serbs. Bukejlovic suggested this Commission to work by similar methodology as did Commission for Srebrenica. Nezavisne Novine pg 4 'Bukejlovic asks for Sarajevo Commission' by S. Gojkovic - HR Paddy Ashdown has told Bukejlovic that, if one wants to find information on people who went missing in Sarajevo, then this request should be filed at the Commission for Human Rights at BiH Constitutional Court. The HR has stated he had, at least on four occasions, explained this procedure to Bukejlovic. 'It seems as if Bukejlovic is more interested in gaining political points than undertaking certain

legal steps', HR has stated.

HDZ announces to bring PBS issue befor Strasbourg Court TV Hayat, RTRS, Nezavisne Novine pg 8 'PBS system before the Human Rights Court in Strasbourg' by Srna, Glas Srpske pg 4 'Complaint goes to Strasbourg' by Srna, Vecernji List pg 4 'HDZ BiH will address Strasbourg Court' by Hina, Dnevni List pg 4 'HDZ fights for Croat channel' by De. L., Oslobodjenje pg 11 'To Strasbourg to get the right to Croat channel' by Fena, Dnevni Avaz pg 2 'HDZ will address Human Rights Court in Strasbourg' by Srna -After BiH Constitutional Court decided that Law on PBS isn't destructive for vital rights of Croat, when it comes to the language, HDZ issued a statement on Friday in which announced that they will appeal to the Court for Human Rights in Strasbourg. It is stated that HDZ is forced to this move, due to inability to protect basic rights of Croats in BiH.

F BiH HoP adopted Resolution on Srebrenica genocide

TV Pink, BHT1, TV Hayat, FTV, Nezavisne Novine pg 10 'Resolution on Genocide in Srebrenica was adopted' by Onasa, Vecernji List pg 3 'Srebrenica Resolution was adopted' by F, Oslobodjenje pg 3 'Resolution on Srebrenica Genocide was adopted' <u>not signed</u>— During its special session on Friday, FBiH House of Peoples passed the Resolution on Genocide in Srebrenica and BiH. The Resolution reads that planned aggression on BiH has had a goal to join BiH with Serbia and that numerous crimes, including genocide were committed during that aggression. The Resolution also condemned UN actions, suggesting to the UN to pass a similar document.

Miscellaneous

Dean Lukic: I have no intention to resign Glas Srpske cover pg splash
'Civilisational shame' by S. Mi. — Dean of
East Sarajevo Faculty of Law Radomir Lukic
says he has no intention to resign, as HR
Paddy Ashdown has demanded, and he
explains he had withdrawn his membership
from SDS in 2000. Professor at Banja Luka
Faculty of Law and Ombudsman Vitomir
Popovic assessed the demand of HR as
civilisational shame.