

# OHR BiH Media Round-up, 5/8/2005

Latest radio news broadcast at 12.00 on **5 August**

<b>RADIO HERCEG-BOSNA</b> (12,00 hrs)	<b>RTRS</b> (12,00 hrs)
10 <sup>th</sup> anniv. of 'Storm' being marked	RS Govt. on Terzic
Cavic on Jovic's stand on Storm	Ashdown warns RS authorities
Serb ref.:IC should condemn Storm	"Storm" being marked in Croatia

TV news broadcast on **4 August**

<b>RADIO HERCEG-BOSNA</b> (18,00 hrs)	<b>TV PINK</b> (18,00 hrs)	<b>BHT 1</b> (19,00 hrs)
PMs Initialized the agreement in Zg	Regional News	Terzic meets Sanader
Terzic met Mesic	'Oluja' anniversary marked in BL	Regional News
Grahovac denies BHTV News	Matijasevic on cooperation with ICTY	Jovic on congratulatory card to CRO
CoM on equipment for radiation	BiH-CRO initial agreement signed	Regional News
<b>NTV Hayat</b> (19,00 hrs)	<b>FTV</b> (19,30 hrs)	<b>RTRS</b> (19,30 hrs)

BiH-CRO initial agreement signed	Car accident near Zepce	Commemoration in Banja Luka
Issue of BiH property in Croatia	New CoM affair re car licence plates	Commemoration in Belgrade
Podgorica based daily on Karadzic	Terzic meets Sanader	10 <sup>th</sup> Storm anniversary
Tadic on Karadzic and Mladic	Terzic meets Mesic	Jovic congratulates Sanader & Mesic

<b>Oslobodjenje</b>	Instead of Prime Ministers, Ministers signed agreement
<b>Dnevni Avaz</b>	Tihic: Ashdown lost decisiveness
<b>Dnevni List</b>	Mostarians without city café (Tax authorities close down popular café in Mostar due to several irregularities)
<b>Vecernji List</b>	Not published due to Croatian state holiday
<b>Slobodna Dalmacija</b>	Not published due to Croatian state holiday
<b>Nezavisne Novine</b>	Three persons killed
<b>Glas Srpske</b>	The crop was a failure (harvest in RS)
<b>EuroBlic</b>	The boy who conquered the “Storm” (story of survivor of “Storm”)
<b>Vecernje novosti</b>	Features Serbian related topics
<b>Srpski Nacional</b>	Features Serbian related topics

<b>LATEST NEWS OF TODAY</b>	
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<p><b>RS Justice Minister of Agreement with Croatia</b></p>	<p><b>RTRS</b> – Decision on the BiH COM Chair <b>Terzic</b> (not to sign Agreement on legal and property affairs with Croatia) is wise, stated <b>Dzerard Selman</b>, RS Justice Minister, at the press conference in Banja Luka. Selman explained that RS Government fully supports signing of this Agreement, but the entire procedure should be returned to entities' institutions in line with the Law on signing of inter-state agreements.</p>
<p><b>Church denies claims Karadzic hides in Monastery</b></p>	<p><b>RTRS</b> – The Diocese of Montenegro and Seashore ahs today harshly criticized information according to which <b>Radovan Karadzic</b> is hiding at Churches and Temples of this Diocese.</p>
<p><b>Cavic condemns Jovic's congrat. for 'Storm'</b></p>	<p><b>RHB</b> – RS President <b>Dragan Cavic</b> condemned a congratulatory message of Croat member of the BiH Presidency <b>Ivo Miro Jovic</b> sent to the Croatian leadership with regard to the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Croatian Army's operation 'Storm'. Cavic said that this was manifestation of nationalism that a member of the BiH Presidency is not supposed to express.</p>
<p><b>FBiH Supreme Court abolished acquitting sentence for Mandic and Culjak</b></p>	<p><b>RHB</b> – The FBiH Supreme Court abolished a verdict of the Sarajevo Cantonal Court according to which former HNC Minister of Interior <b>Dragan Mandic</b> and former Minister of the WHC MoI <b>Vinko Culjak</b> released of charges for abuse of position. They were charged with doing nothing in order to prevent riots in Mostar and some other Herzegovinian towns during the SFOR's raid of Hercegovacka Banka in April 2001.</p>

<b>Int. tender for Telekom Srpska soon</b>	<b>RHB</b> – RS Minister of Finances <b>Svjetlana Cenic</b> stated that the international tender for the sale of the state owned shares in Telekom Srpske would be announced at the end of 2005 or at the beginning of 2006.

<b>Terzic's official visit to Zagreb</b>	
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**Agreement on dual citizenship between BiH and Croatia initialed**

**Oslobodjenje** cover splash, pgs 4-5 'Instead of Prime Ministers, Ministers signed agreement' by Aldijana Omeragic – BiH delegation lead by the Prime Minister, **Adnan Terzic**, on Thursday initialed an agreement on dual citizenship with Croatia. Even though it was expected for Terzic and Croatian Prime Minister, **Ivo Sanader**, to initial agreement, this was done by the BiH Civil Affairs Minister, **Safet Halilovic** and Croatian Interior Minister, **Ivica Kirin**. As for the agreement on property relations not initialed due to RS objections, Sanader and Terzic stressed that that progress on this issue could be achieved in the fall. Terzic, who visited Sanader officially for the first time, said that it was unacceptable for two countries to have been preparing these agreements for past 13 years, adding "that we cannot think of European integrations if we, as the closest neighbors, are not able to resolve property issues." Asked by the journalists why is RS against the agreement, Terzic said that "all this has been politicized" and that "RS fears it will have no enough money to pay its obligations." "I believe we can sign this agreement very soon, during my visit to BiH [in fall]," said Sanader. He also noted to Terzic that in discussing the constitutional changes in BiH, authorities must ensure the equal rights of Croats are guaranteed.

**FTV** – "The most relevant opinion is the one of the RS Administration for Geodetic and Property issues, and [they] have endorsed the agreement. Everything else is most likely the result of anxiety and fear whether we would have sufficient funds. But [this]... should not be the reason for not signing the agreement... We are going to have the open talks in BiH [on this issue] ," stated Terzic. "It is extremely important document for both countries. The preparations on the property-legal affairs agreement took almost 10 years, it seems that the Governments of these two countries haven't finished it, but we have. Now, what they see or what anxiety or fear they feel, they have to deal with it themselves. And of course BIH has to solve the issue, Croatia is prepared to sign the agreement that will benefit both sides" said Sanader.

**RHB, PINK, BHT 1, Hayat, RTRS, Dnevni List**, pgs 2-3, mentioned on front 'Croats in BiH keep dual citizenship', by Ivica Glibusic, **Nezavisne Novine** pg 6 'Agreement on dual citizenship initialed' by Agencies, **EuroBlic** RSpG 3 'Harmonisation on property' by SRNA, **Glas Srpske** pg 5 'Only citizenship' – also covered.

<p><b>Terzic: This could have been historic visit</b></p>	<p><b>Dnevni Avaz</b> pg 3 ‘Solving Port Ploce issue raises importance of Vc corridor’, mentioned on cover ‘This could have been historic visit’ by <u>S. Numanovic</u> – In a statement to DA, the BiH Prime Minister <b>Adnan Terzic</b> expresses his satisfaction with the visit to Zagreb. However, he also underlined that this would have been a historic visit if the agreement on property issues was initialed. He strongly rejected accusations that date of visit [4 August, also anniversary of the Operation Storm] was chosen to humiliate Serb people, explaining that when the visit was scheduled this was the only date that both prime ministers had free. <i>“We also talked about infrastructure projects, Port Ploce, which should be the port of the Central Europe . This would rise importance of the Vc corridor. We also talked about necessity to reach a regional stance on UN reforms, because we believe that this part of Europe should try to do this,”</i> commented Terzic.</p>
<p><b>FTV on RS objections to agreement on property issues</b></p>	<p><b>FTV</b> by <u>Blazica Kristo</u> – FTV says that the real reasons for the RS representatives to object signing the initial agreement on the property-legal issues between BiH and Croatia lies in the fact that they do not want to give up of the property “seized” during the war. For example, says FTV, RS seized the 26 gas stations of INA (Croatian petrol industry), and their business premises in Banja Luka which was later occupied by the former Crystal bank [sold by the BIH Foreign Minister <b>Mladen Ivanic</b> for 1 KM]. IN addition, reporter notes that RS has also been promising amendments to the agreement on pre-war tenancy rights in Croatia , which FTV deems to be impossible to realize as the property law in Croatia is entirely different. Feature concludes that personal profit of few individuals from RS made rest of BIH to still wait for its 2 billions KM worth property in Croatia . The irony, says the author, is the fact that out of those 2 billions KM, the total value of RS property in Croatia is approximately 120 000 KM. <b>Hayat</b> – There is no exact data on BiH’s property in Croatia.</p>
<p><b>HNZ: Cavic and Paravac only care for Serbs’ interests</b></p>	<p><b>Dnevni List</b>, pg 3 ‘HNZ: Paravac is only representing Serb interests’, <u>not signed</u> – The HNZ says that the President of RS, <b>Dragan Cavic</b>, and Serb member of BiH Presidency, <b>Borislav Paravac</b>, when it comes to statements regarding the signing of property-legal issues agreement with Croatia, acted as advocates of Serb interests only, not taking care of other people’s interests.</p>

<p><b>Terzic meets DA op-ed on RS blockage of signing agreement on property w/Croatia: 'Who's the real boss in BiH'</b></p>	<p><b>Dnevni List</b>, pg 2 'Obstruction', by <u>Ivica Glibusic</u> – Commenting on the failure to sign the property-legal issues agreement with Croatia, <u>Glibusic</u> notes that, although everything had been agreed upon in the BiH CoM, the RS received a 'signal' from Belgrade which prevented the signing of both the agreements. Glibusic insists that the problem was not lying in the agreement on property-legal issues, it was in fact due to the timing because it was to be signed one day prior to marking of the operation 'Storm'. The author also notices that no Croat or Bosniak officials reacted to actions of the Serb leadership, nor did the OHR declared itself, and <u>Glibusic</u> speculates that they are giving in to the RS in preparations for some other event that could happen in due course.</p>
<p><b>DL: RS received 'signal' from Belgrade not to sign property-legal issues agreement</b></p>	<p><b>Dnevni Avaz</b>, pg 3 'Who's the real boss in BiH?', by <u>Edina Sarac</u> – Commenting on the recent events in BiH, the author says that, if someone was observing the events from sidelines, he/she would not be clear who is running the state. <u>Sarac</u> argues it is in fact the RS Prime Minister, <b>Pero Bukeylovic</b>, who is the No.1 in the country right now. To back her claims up, Sarac says that Bukeylovic stopped the agreement on property-legal issues with Croatia 24 hours before it was to be initialled, prior to that the Serb MPs decided not to abide by decisions of the BiH Constitutional Court (regarding names of towns), the MPs and Bukeylovic's government stopped the police reform etc. Sarac concludes it is not down to staffing issues, arguing that it would be almost the same if <b>Mikerevic</b> was running the RS Government or someone else rather than <b>Terzic</b> was running the BiH CoM, instead <u>Sarac</u> says the key is in the solutions stipulated by the Constitution(s) that give an entity Prime Minister vast authorities.</p>
<p><b>Oslobodjenje op-ed on RS blockage of signing agreement on property w/Croatia: 'Disgrace'</b></p>	<p><b>Oslobodjenje</b>, pg 9 'Disgrace', by <u>Zija Dizdarevic</u> – The author says the failure to sign the agreement on property-legal issues with Croatia is another blow to efforts to regulate relations between Croatia and BiH in a better way. <u>Dizdarevic</u> says that this "disgrace" undermines the credibility of the Chairman of BiH Council of Ministers, <b>Adnan Terzic</b>, who, according to the author, handled the issue "with utter irresponsibility".</p>

<p><b>SB: Ivanic blocks signing of agreement on property relations btwn BiH and Croatia</b></p>	<p><b>Slobodna Bosna</b> pgs 26 and 27 'Why RS is afraid of normalization of relations between BiH and Croatia – All property of Croatian companies in RS was sold long time ago and illegally registered on new 'owners' ' by <u>A. Metiljevic</u> – SB says that for the second time in the last 3 years signing of the Agreement on property relations between BiH and Croatia was blocked and BiH Foreign Minister under resignation <b>Mladen Ivanic</b> played a key role in both cases. SB says that Ivanic's last veto is actually his dedication to preserve legalization of robbery and sale of other people's property and the letter that Director of the RS Privatization Agency <b>Vladimir Mackic</b> sent to the BiH Council of Minister a day before the agreement was supposed to be signed proves it. In this letter Mackic proposed that state property should not be returned to pre-war owners at all, but that each state should keep what it seized during the war. SB says that this is defense of the criminal policy thanks to which property of numerous companies from the territory of former Yugoslavia was robbed, illegally sold and illegally registered on new owners in the RS.</p>
<p><b>Petar Kunic on selection of 4<sup>th</sup> August as date for signing of Agreement btw./ Croatia and BiH</b></p>	<p><b>Glas Srpske</b> pg 5 'A day for insult' by <u>Z.Markovic</u> – <b>Petar Kunic</b>, Banja Luka University Professor, commented on selection of 4<sup>th</sup> August for signing of Agreement between Croatia and BiH, saying that: <i>"The date when several hundred thousands Serbs were expelled should not have been as a date when agreement was to be signed. I do not know who has chosen that date. If BiH COM did it, the question could be raised what Serb representatives at that institution are doing."</i> Daily notes that anyway, as if the date was chosen in order to humiliate Serbs once more.</p>
<p><b>Terzic meets Mesic: Croatia and BiH have some strategic goals</b></p>	<p><b>RHB, FTV</b> – The Croatian President <b>Stjepan Mesic</b> met with the Chairman of the BiH Council of Ministers <b>Adnan Terzic</b> in Zagreb in Thursday. Two statesmen underlined that both sides are prepared for stronger cooperation and concluded that the number of outstanding issues is constantly being reduced, but reminded that the remaining ones need to be resolved in open dialogue. They also confirmed that both sides have the same strategic objective – joining Euro-Atlantic structures.</p>

<p><b>Other political issues</b></p>	
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<p><b>Jovic congratulates Mesic and Sanader 'Operation Storm' anniversary</b></p>	<p><b>RHB, BHT1, RTRS, Oslobodjenje</b> pg 2 'Jovic's compliments to Mesic and Sanader' by Fena, <b>Dnevni List</b>, pg 2 'Jovic's congratulation to Mesic and Sanader', by <b>NINA</b> –BiH Presidency Chair <b>Ivo Miro Jovic</b> extended congratulations to Croatian Prime Minister <b>Ivo Sanader</b> and Croatian President <b>Stjepan Mesic</b> on the occasion of the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 'Operation Storm'. Jovic said that operation was the most important moment in the recent Croatian history. <i>"We are proud that a significant number of BiH citizens also took part in that operation which has forever thwarted Milosevic's project of creating Serbia along the Karlobag-Virovitica line"</i>, Jovic said.</p> <p><b>Oslobodjenje</b> pg 3 'A commemoration service was held for killed and missing Serbs' by <b>Onasa</b> – anniversary of "Oluja" was marked in Banja Luka. <b>NOTE:</b> All Serbian papers and <b>Glas Srpske</b> [cover splash story] extensively report on Thursday's marking of "Storm" operation in Banja Luka and Belgrade, referred to as operation of "ethnic cleansing and exodus of Serbs".</p>
<p><b>Matijasevic, Deretic on Operation Storm</b></p>	<p><b>PINK</b> – <i>"A historical trend, such as several years of combats, to erase what has been built for years by Serbs in Croatia"</i>, said RS Minister of Interior <b>Darko Matijasevic</b>. RS Minister of Labour and Veterans <b>Miodrag Deretic</b> said that he was surprised and embittered by recent statements Croatian official gave on the occasion of the anniversary. <i>"Only so called verbal attempts are made in terms of return of Serbs in Croatia, but due to numerous administrative manipulations, the return is not possible"</i>, said Deretic. <b>Hayat</b> – Matijasevic said on the this anniversary "every civilized Christians had the reason to be sad."</p>

<p><b>Paravac comments Jovic's greeting card addressed to Mesic and Sanader: Jovic's move is shameful</b></p>	<p><b>Nezavisne Novine</b> pg 4 'Jovic' move is harmful' by <u>N.N.</u>, <b>EuroBlic</b> RSpG 1 'Ivo Miro Jovic congratulates, Borislav Paravac criticises' – Commenting on Thursday's greeting card <b>Ivo Miro Jovic</b> addressed to Croatian President and Premier regarding "Storm" operation, <b>Borislav Paravac</b>, Serb member to BiH Presidency, said that this Jovic' move was counter-productive and inappropriate, since "Storm" operation of Croatian military and police forces was ethnic cleansing of Serbs. He stressed that at the beginning of war Croatian forces committed aggression against BiH in Sijekovac and Brod, owing to which reason Jovic should not be talking about what he mentioned in greeting card related to "Storm". Paravac said that everybody was in war with everybody during the war in former Yugoslavia , and some regard it as aggression, others as defence, while third party regards it as civil war.</p>
<p><b>Dodik: Jovic is invoking specter of the past</b></p>	<p><b>Nezavisne Novine</b> pg 4 'Dodik: Jovic is invoking specter of the past' – <b>Milorad Dodik</b>, SNSD President, is of the view that statement <b>Ivo Miro Jovic</b> gave shows "what characters are leading this state", adding it also shows that BiH would remain as it as without the presence of the international community. Dodik stated Jovic is invoking the specter of the past, adding: <i>"The hard-nationalist and chauvinist like Ivo Miro Jovic neglects the fact that Serbs in the area of Knin had lived there long time before Milosevic and hence the term aggression is untenable."</i></p>

**Procedure for protection of vital national interest on 5 laws adopted by the RSNA to be launched**

**Dnevni Avaz** pg 9 'We cannot allow that day of Army which committed genocide is being celebrated' by E. Sarac – The Bosniak Caucus, Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the RS Council of Peoples would launch the procedure for protection of vital national interest on 5 laws adopted by the RSNA (law on RS University, law on changes and amendments to the law on RS territorial organization, law on RS inspections, law on RS holidays and law on civilian war victims). Head of the Bosniak Caucus **Ramiz Salkic** explains that they cannot agree with the holiday Day of the RS Army since this is the Army, which committed genocide. **PINK, BHT1, RTRS, Oslobodjenje** pg 6 'The issue of vital national interest was launched' by Fena– The procedure on protection of Bosniak VNI was initiated by the Chair and Vice Chair of RS Council of Peoples **Remzija Kardic** and **Sejo Krnjic**. **FTV, Nezavisne Novine** pg 6 'VNI protection on five laws' by V.P., Glas Srpske pg 2 'Saint Sava also a disturbance' by M.Mihajlovic – As for the RS NA's amendments to the Law on territorial organisation of RS, RS Bosniak and Croat caucus launched an issue of VNI as the RS Government refused to return the prefix Bosnian (Bosanski) in the names of 13 cities that had this prefix before the war.Serb caucus has also made a decision on starting a procedure for protection of vital national interest due to the law on territorial organisation.Their reasons for protecting the VNI regard the names of towns Brod and Kostajnica. They are advocating for these towns to have names Posavski Brod and Kozarska Kostojnica. Joint Commission of RS CoP will decide on the suggestions made by representatives of 3 constituent people. In the case of not reaching an agreement, than the RS Government is required to propose the new amendments to the law that cannot have the same text.

<p><b>Grahovac requests FBiH Police to investigate alleged throwing of Croat(ian) and Serb(ian) book from Bugojno library</b></p>	<p>RHB, BHT1, Dnevni List, pgs 6-7 'Police in Town Library in Bugojno', by <u>Nermin Bise</u> – FBiH Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Culture, <b>Gavrilo Grahovac</b>, has asked from the FBiH Police Administration to determine whether the alleged throwing of books, written by Croat(ian) and Serb(ian) authors, indeed took place or not at the Town Library in Bugojno. This happened after Grahovac learned from the media that the Croatian Minister for Culture, <b>Bozo Biskupic</b>, sent him a letter in which he spoke about the incident in Bugojno. However, Grahovac insists that he never received any letter from Biskupic and that he learnt about it in the media. Grahovac also notes that employees of the library were interviewed about the case, and they denied reports published by Croatia media (which reported about the alleged disposal/getting rid of the books).</p>
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**DA interview:  
Tihic on  
appointments  
in state  
institutions,  
situation in  
BiH CoM,  
police reform,  
argues that HR  
Ashdown lost  
resoluteness**

**Dnevni Avaz**, front pg splash 'Ashdown has lost resoluteness' and pg 5 'Nobody serious in SDA considered removal of Terzic', by Admir Malagic – Carries an interview with the Bosniak member of BiH Presidency and President of SDA, **Sulejman Tihic**, in which he talks about several topical issues. Commenting on the appointment of leadership of the State Border Service, Tihic argues the post of the SBS Director should be given to the Bosniaks, saying it would be a mistake if the **High Representative** or someone else took a different decision. In this context, Tihic says there should be an agreement on distribution of posts in the SBS, noting that prior to that agreement, there should be a new agreement on distribution of posts in the SIPA, OSA and (BiH) MoD. Commenting on the situation in the BiH Council of Ministers, Tihic says it is the Chair of BiH CoM, **Adnan Terzic**, who should be facilitating an agreement (about the BiH CoM). However, Tihic reckons that the parties from the RS are not keen on reaching an agreement, which makes it a difficult task for Terzic. Furthermore, Tihic says no serious politician in the SDA is thinking about replacing Terzic with someone else. *"It would not be politically wise or good for the state and the party to change the Chairman of BiH CoM in the crisis situation"*, says Tihic. Asked to comment on the course of police reform, Tihic says it is a waste of time to discuss the crisis at the level of entity government, which in fact shows the lack of resoluteness on part of the IC. Responding to the journalist's remark that HR **Paddy Ashdown's** reaction after the (last) Sarajevo meeting (on police reform) was too mild, Tihic says that HR Ashdown's reactions have become weaker ever since December, since the NATO summit, when everybody expected sanctions against obstructionists to the BiH's European path. *"I think that his (Ashdown's) lack of resoluteness is a consequence of lack of resoluteness by the IC"*, says Tihic.

<p><b>HR's interview to NN: If they oppose to reforms, it would be hard for RS and SDS</b></p>	<p><b>Nezavisne Novine</b> pg 5, announced on cover 'If they oppose to reforms, it would be hard for RS and SDS' by <u>Mirza Cubro</u> – In a page-long interview to daily, <b>Paddy Ashdown</b>, HR to BiH, says that by the end of August, the RS authorities should have demonstrated whether they support reforms of police and defence and full cooperation with the ICTY – unless they do that, the coming months would be extremely hard for them. He also notes that: <i>"We will see by the end of month whether RS and SDS intend to use the coming four or five months for a constructive progress. If this happens, the new future for the population opens, we will be stable, and new relations between international community and the RS would be established. However, if the end of August witnesses the obstruction of reforms, it will be clear to everybody that they are placing RS, the state and the region in a position of a hostage. Premier and President of RS will be responsible for that, as well as SDS as leading political party. In this case, the next few months would be extremely hard."</i> Ashdown notes the agreement was that negotiations should commence until 15 August, adding that local authorities should agree on who should sign the final police reform agreement – party leaders or officials of entities and the state. He stresses nothing is agreed until everything is agreed.</p>
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<p><b>Avaz: German interested in appointing new HR</b></p>	<p><b>Dnevni Avaz</b>, pg 4 'Germany interested in office of High Representative', by <u>S. Numanovic</u> – Avaz learns from 'diplomatic circles' that wanted to stay anonymous that Germany is very keen to appoint a new High Representative for BiH because the Peace Implementation Council got a message from Berlin that a decision on <b>Paddy Ashdown's</b> successor should not be taken by end of this month, as originally planned, instead Germany wants the decision to be taken after the elections in Germany scheduled for September 18, after which Germany could nominate its candidate. Avaz reminds that two official candidates for the post are Italy's <b>Laura Mirakijan</b> (spelling?), a member of Italian diplomatic service since 1974, and Czech's <b>Aleksandar Vondra</b>, a former Czech foreign minister. Apparently, the PIC's position is that a politician, rather than a diplomat, should be appointed to the office, and Avaz says it would appear that Vondra stands better chances.</p>
<p><b>Gligoric from SP RS on police/defence reform</b></p>	<p><b>Dnevni Avaz</b> pg 8 'MoI and entities' armies must still exist', <b>Nezavisne Novine</b> pg 2 'Reforms of police and defence without changes of constitution' by <u>SRNA</u>, <b>Glas Srpske</b> pg 5 'Police to remain to Srpska' by <u>Z.Ma.</u> – <b>Tihomir Gligoric</b>, delegate of the RS Socialist Party at the BiH PA, Thursday presented the proposal of this party on police reforms, that meet EU principles and conditions, but without changes of RS and BiH Constitutions. SP RS advocates maintenance of the RS MoI with its authority, in charge of public peace and order, protection of human rights and property.</p>
<p><b>NHI on police reform</b></p>	<p><b>RHB, Dnevni List</b>, by 4 'Current police structure unable to fight organized crime', by <u>NINA</u> – The NHI is of opinion that the current police structure cannot truly tackle the growing organized crime and corruption of state structure and administration. The party underlines it is in favour of the three fundamental principles, which have been presented by the EC. Also covered by <b>Sarajevo press</b>.</p>

<p><b>B. Hitchner (author of Dayton project): BiH might join EU in 2020</b></p>	<p><b>Dnevni Avaz</b> pg 9, mentioned on cover 'BiH will join EU as late as in 2020' by <u>Bruce Hitchner</u> – In an editorial for DA Director of the Dayton project <b>Bruce Hitchner</b> says that in case that BiH gets a chance to sign the SAA by the end of 2006 it will also get a chance to break up with the past and difficult social, economic and political inheritance of former Yugoslavia. According to Hitchner, if everything goes fine BiH might become a full EU member in 2020. Hitchner goes on to say that this conviction is based on harsh reality: there are not enough political trust, agreement and leadership among political parties yet and there are so many things which are contrary to these things.</p>
<p><b>NN op-ed: Nothing has changed in BiH in last ten years</b></p>	<p><b>Nezavisne Novine</b> op-ed pg 7 'What has changed' by <u>Slavo Kukic</u> – Starting the article with reference to <b>Richard Holbrooke's</b> statement (that BiH has made a great progress on many fields), the author agrees with Holbrooke only in one line – that BiH is worth of trying, claiming that returns data are only of statistic purposes, while the situation in the field shows the opposite. The author further criticizes the statement <b>Pero Bukejlovic</b> gave regarding Srebrenica. He then moves to most recent calls to <b>Radovan Karadzic</b> to surrender, adding those have resulted from enormous pressures not the change of approach towards Karadzic. He concludes nothing has actually changed in the BiH in the past ten years.</p>



<p><b>Osl. harshly criticizes HR's behavior regarding Palic case</b></p>	<p><b>Oslobodjenje</b> pg 7 'Lord, you are deluding us' by E. <u>Kamenica</u> harshly criticizes behavior of High Representative <b>Paddy Ashdown</b> with regard to the case of disappearance of wartime BiH Army Commander in Zepa <b>Avdo Palic</b>. According to the article, after the HR was giving for days promises for resolving the Palic case, all of a sudden through his spokeswoman the HR sent a message that the RS Government report on what this Government had done with regard to this case was sent to the Human Rights Commission with the Constitutional Court. Osl. says that instead of commenting on the RS Government 's report, Ashdown remembered the Human Rights Commission and returned the story to its beginning. Osl. concludes that this is just another example of the HR's arrogance and impudence.</p>
<p><b>Tokic: BiH authorities are losing credibility</b></p>	<p><b>Dnevni Avaz</b> pg 2 'BiH's embarrassment must be stopped', mentioned on cover, <b>Dnevni List</b>, pg 3 'Tokic: BiH has disgraceful authorities', <u>not signed</u> – the President of SDU, <b>Sejfudin Tokic</b>, argues that the crisis in the work of the BiH CoM, and the latest failure to sign the property-legal issues agreement with Croatia, is showing that BiH authorities are losing credibility.</p>

<p><b>War crimes issues</b></p>	
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<p>Montenegrin weekly says foreign journalists await for Karadzic's arrest in Montenegro ; Karadzic hides in Ostrog Monastery</p>	<p>BHT1, Hayat, Dnevni Avaz pg 2 'Karadzic is hiding in secret tunnels in Jovan Do near Ostrog' by Onasa, Oslobođenje pg 3, announced on cover 'Karadzic is hiding near Ostrog' by Monitor, Nezavisne Novine pg 2 'Karadzic is hiding near Ostrog' by V.Popovic– Montenegrin weekly 'Monitor' issued an article claiming that the journalists from several world media are currently in Montenegro, awaiting the "spectacular" arrest of Radovan Karadzic, who is allegedly hiding in the Montenegrin hills. The weekly says that according to the latest information, Karadzic is hiding in Jovanj Do near Ostrog Monastery. Several years ago Metropolitan Amfilohije built a church there, a large part of which is underground. <i>"Very little can be seen from the outside. Underground chambers and corridors were built for secret operations,"</i> a well-informed source told Monitor. Allegedly the building in Jovanj do was even hidden from the Serbian Orthodox Church clergy and many of them who serve in Ostorg have never set foot in the underground rooms. Karadzic is allegedly hiding in various churches and often moves from one to another. The foreign media previously reported that he is hiding in Montenegro and eastern Hercegovina dressed in an Orthodox priest's robe. <i>"We know nothing about the speculation that Karadzic is hiding in Montenegro and that his arrest is being planned,"</i> Monitor was told by a source in the Hague tribunal.</p>
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<p><b>OHR:It is important that Bukeylovic accepts findings of Srebrenica Commission</b></p>	<p>FTV, BHT1, RTRS, Dnevni Avaz pg 8 'It is important that Bukeylovic accepts findings of Srebrenica Commission' by Srna, <b>Oslobodjenje</b> pg 2 'Bukeylovic now denies what he had accepted' <u>not signed</u>, <b>Dnevni List</b>, pg 8 'OHR: Bukeylovic should focus on eliminating denying of Srebrenica', by <u>NINA</u>, <b>Dnevni List</b>, pg 8 'No hints that Karadzic will voluntarily surrender', by <u>M. Batarello</u>, <b>Nezavisne Novine</b> pg 2 'Bukeylovic on Srebrenica contrary to Tadic and Cavic' by <u>SRNA</u>, <b>EuroBlic</b> RSpG 2 'Bukeylovic on the contrary to Cavic and Tadic', <b>Glas Srpske</b> pg 2 'Bukeylovic takes the other way' by <u>N.Z.</u> – OHR stated that the Presidents of Serbia, <b>Boris Tadic</b>, and the RS, <b>Dragan Cavic</b>, have had the courage to acknowledge the full extent of the crime that was committed at Srebrenica and apologize for it. The recent comments by <b>Pero Bukeylovic</b> give the impression that he now wishes to move in the opposite direction, OHR stated on Thursday commenting the statement of the RS PM on disputing a number of Srebrenica victims [see Media Roundups for August 3 and 4]. Press statement concludes <i>"it is important that Bukeylovic has publicly accepted the findings of the Srebrenica Commission. It is equally important that he, as prime minister, focuses his efforts on ensuring that the spirit of denial over Srebrenica... is finally and conclusively eliminated."</i></p>
<p><b>Letter addressed to HR Ashdown asking from him to establish Sarajevo Commission</b></p>	<p>RTRS, <b>Nezavisne Novine</b> pg 6 'They demand from Ashdown to establish Commission for Sarajevo' by <u>S.G.</u>, <b>EuroBlic</b> RSpG 2 'Fulfill the promise' by <u>D.S.</u>– The RS Vice President of the RS Association of Former detention camp inmates, <b>Slavko Jovicic</b>, confirmed that the Association on Thursday handed a letter at OHR for HR <b>Paddy Ashdown</b>, calling on him to reach a decision on forming a commission that would investigate the crimes committed over Serbs in Sarajevo.</p>

<p><b>Matijasevic: 'Finding and arresting of Hague indictees is a priority'</b></p>	<p>RHB, PINK, BHT1, FTV, RTRS, Hayat, Oslobodjenje pg 4 'Finding and arresting of Hague indictees is a priority' by Onasa, <b>Dnevni List</b>, pg 8 'Matijasevic: I cannot go out with operational information', M. Batarello, <b>EuroBlic</b> RSpg 2 'Matijasevic: The Hague is the RS primary goal' by SRNA, <b>Dnevni Avaz</b> pg 8 'Full cooperation with the Hague is primary goal of RS MoI' – RS Interior Minister <b>Darko Matijasevic</b> said in Banja Luka on Thursday that he is unable to comment on media reports concerning the possible voluntary surrender of <b>Radovan Karadzic</b>, which supposedly could happen in the next several days. Matijasevic said that the RS Ministry of Interior would not stop its activities until full cooperation between the RS and the ICTY is achieved.</p>
<p><b>Tadic calls on Mladic to surrender: If Mladic is not extradited, Serbia to face serious problems</b></p>	<p>BHT1, FTV, RTRS, Hayat, <b>Dnevni Avaz</b> pg 2 'Tadic appealed to criminal Mladic to surrender' by Fena, <b>Nezavisne Novine</b> pg 2 'Tadic again calls on Mladic to surrender' by N.– Serbian President <b>Boris Tadic</b> called on <b>Radovan Karadzic</b> and <b>Ratko Mladic</b> to surrender. <i>"Unless Ratko Mladic is extradited to The Hag and unless Serbia offers valid evidences to prove [Mladic] is not on the Serbian territory, Serbia is going to face serious problems in terms of European integrations. That is why Serbia has to work to find the solution of this problem. Mladic has to be either arrested or persuaded to surrender. I hope that Karadzic is going to comply with his wife's appeal. That would be extremely useful for future of the people Radovan Karadzic belongs to",</i> said Tadic.</p>

<p><b>RS MoD and RS Army General Staff opened their archives for Srebrenica TF Sub-Group</b></p>	<p><b>Glas Srpske</b> pg 5 'They opened the archive' by <u>M.F.</u> – <b>Boris Kozlik</b>, Spokesperson of the RS MoD, confirmed to daily that the RS MoD and RS Army General Staff have opened on 26 July their archives for the members of the newly-formed investigative Sub-Group of Srebrenica Task Force. He stressed that Ministry staff are to provide full assistance and support to the members of Sub-group. The Sub-group will be able to go through every single archive in the territory of RS until 11 September.</p>
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**Slobodna Bosna,  
Dani about  
Ljiljana Zelen-  
Karadzic's  
appeal**

**Slobodna Bosna**, front pg splash 'Sasa Karadzic begs his father in panic: Dad, give yourself up!' and pgs 18-23 'Panic in Karadzic family', by Mirsad Fazlic – SB carries its analysis/background of the appeal by **Ljiljana Zelen-Karadzic** to her husband **Radovan**. SB notes that the dramatic turnaround happened three years ago when the IC started dismantling financial network that supported Radovan, which also included the removal of 57 officials from the RS, including the RSNA Speaker, **Dragan Kalinic** and RS Interior Minister, **Zoran Djeric**, which in practice meant that Radovan was being cut off from RS authorities. Furthermore, SB learns from a source that allegedly has contacts with the Karadzic family on daily basis, that Ljiljana gave in to pressures that have started three years ago and which have intensified in past few months, after she was made clear by NATO, when her son **Sasa** was released from custody the other day, that the 'special treatment' would continue until she calls on Radovan to surrender himself. The same source adds that the key moment happened three years ago when the US Ambassador at large for war crimes, **Pierre Richard Prosper**, told now Radovan's late mother **Jovanka** over food and plum-brandy that the US Government planned to apply pressure on the family until the arrest of her son had been taken care of.

**Dani**, pgs 30-31 'Radovan, come down from the mountain', by Belma Beciragic – also carries a story on the appeal in which the author gives her view why Ljiljana made the appeal, listing speculations whether it was another maneuver by Radovan, a trap for Karadzic to make a wrong move or whether it was Ljiljana's decision to take more care about her family rather than her husband in light of recent arrest of her son Sasa. Dani also tried to get an additional comment from the family, but without success.

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Economic issues	
Farmers announce general protests on 15 September	<p>PINK, Dnevni Avaz pg 4 'Large protest of farmers on September 15 in Sarajevo' by Fena, <b>Oslobodjenje</b> pg 6 'General protests on September 15' by M. K. S., <b>Dnevni List</b>, pg 7</p> <p>'More than 50 thousand farmers will be waiting for politicians', by Nermin Bise – BiH farmers protesting outside the building of the BiH Joint Institutions in Sarajevo for 41 days now have announced on Thursday that they will organize a general protest rally at this place on September 15 if representatives of the authorities do not accept dialogue with them when they return from vacation. They stressed they will not abandon their requests, especially since they enjoy support by the representatives of the International Community. <i>"We will wait for BiH officials to return from their holidays and if they do not address us, we think that the only way out is to organize general protest, which would take place on September 15"</i>, said the Chair of BiH Farmers Association <b>Ranko Bakic</b>.</p>

<p><b>Terzic / Sanader discuss FTAs</b></p>	<p><b>RHB, Oslobođenje</b> cover splash, pgs 4-5          'Instead of Prime Ministers, Ministers          signed agreement' <u>by Aldijana Omeragic</u> –          During the meeting on Thursday, the Prime          Ministers of Croatia and BiH, <b>Ivo Sanader</b>          and <b>Adnan Terzic</b> respectively, have          discussed issues related to the Free Trade          Agreement. Terzic noted that Croatia is          extremely important trade partner for BiH,          however that he has to take care of BiH          farmers. In this regard, he announced there          would be an annex to the FTA signed soon to          protect domestic farmers, however Sanader          asked from BIH officials to first introduce          similar measures to other countries it also          signed FTAs with. <i>"We took upon ourselves          the obligation to introduce same measures to          others countries we have signed FTAs with          within one month,"</i> said Terzic.</p>
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<p><b>Dani on agreement btwn Aluminij and FBiH Government</b></p>	<p><b>Dani</b> cover pg splash and pgs 18 and 19  ‘Mutually satisfied’ by <u>Senad Pecanin</u> – The author reminds that General Manager of Aluminij <b>Mijo Brajkovic</b> and the Federation of BiH Government reached an agreement, which resolves all disputable issues regarding Aluminij company. The author says:  <i>‘It would be interesting to hear from FBiH Prime Minister <b>Ahmet Hadzipasic</b> what has changed in managing Aluminij ever since ‘mutually satisfying’ agreement was signed? Does the state have its representatives in the Aluminij Steering (Supervisory) Board? Does the FBiH law allow strategic investing in the companies whose state capital is to be sold? ...Is the same recipe of reaching ‘mutual satisfaction’ would be applied when the turn on Sarajevo Tobacco Factory and its ‘Brajkovic’ <b>Sefik Lojo</b> comes?’</i></p>