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Sarajevo – An explosive device was placed near the door of St. Ignatius parish office in Grbavica. The explosion, which occurred at about 2:30am, did not claim any victims although there was some material damage. Representatives of SFOR, IPTF Sarajevo Cantonal police and the Federal police came to the scene to investigate the case. Canton Governor Haracic and other Canton officials condemned this terrorist act.

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Bihac – The excavation of Bosniak bodies from the "Bezdan" mass grave continues. IPTF was present at today's work when seven bodies were exhumed. Personal documents of identification were found with some of the bodies, but just few of those are readable.

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Belgrade – HR Westendorp and his deputy Klein went to Belgrade in order to discuss the current situation in RS with FRY President Milosevic. So far no information about the meeting was published.

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Serb Entity news – Associated Press reports that Karadzic's assistant Krajisnik suggested that Karadzic wants to discuss his indictment for war crimes. Krajisnik also offered his mediation on Karadzic's behalf. Karadzic made this offer at today's meeting with the UN Human Rights Rapporteur Rehn. He also invited Rehn to visit Karadzic and Mladic, but Rehn did not comment on this offer.

As reported by RFI, the RS President Plavsic met with RS Army

Commander Colic yesterday. The subjects of their meeting were not announced, but Colic appealed to Plavsic to respect the RS Parliament decisions, which deny her control over the Army.

SFOR spokesman Riley announced that SFOR troops will remain in the TV tower Udrigovo zone in order to supervise the area.

SDS Party main board member Stankovic was released from prison yesterday. Stankovic accused MUP head officers, Radio Doboje and his editor for placing the explosive at the offices of the "Alternativa" newspaper.

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Sarajevo – Succession Directorate Manager Fazlic reported on the current status of succession negotiations to the CoM Co-chairman Silajdzic. Silajdzic said that the succession talks are a very important economic, politic and moral issue.

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Stolac – UNHCR spokeswoman Quentier announced that the second phase of refugee return to Stolac has been delayed because of the recent incidents.

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Bugojno – Federal Minister for Refugees, Kadic visited Bugojno in order to support refugee return to the town, as well as in to whole Central Bosnian Canton. After visiting the residential area, Kadic expressed his satisfaction with the return process and the reconstruction of the residential units.

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Copenhagen – At yesterday's meeting in Copenhagen, OSCE officials confirmed that local elections in BiH will be held at September 13 and 14. OSCE representatives are concerned about the situation in RS, and they appealed that safe conditions must be provided for OSCE employees during the election period.

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Sarajevo – HSP 1861 party President, Paraga said that the DPA will remain stalled until the Croats responsible for war crimes are arrested. Paraga presented evidence which shows Croatian President Tudjman's involvement in the war crimes in Bosnia. He also presented evidence against Croatian Defence Minister Susak, and five other persons who took part in the war crimes.

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