OHR BiH TV News Summary, 1 June 1999

News Headlines

- Westendorp will not consider revision of Dayton
- Radisic condemns latest statements by Silajdzic
- Barry meets with BiH party representatives
- Brcko Municipality officials meet with <u>OSCE</u> representatives
- Farrand talks to Tuzla Canton Governor Tarik Arapcic regarding two-way return and Arizona market place
- Chernomyrdin, Talbott and Ahtisaari meet in Bonn
- Germany confirms letter from Yugoslav Foreign Minister
 Zivadin Jovanovic stating acceptance of G8 principles
- Kosovo negotiations entering final stage, next days will reveal possibility of achieving something – Fischer
- Phone lines with Belgrade reinstated, no <u>NATO</u> attacks during day, Tuesday night power stations and TV transmitters targeted again
- Charges against reserve soldiers for avoiding army call up increase in Montenegro – Vijesti, Podgorica independent daily
- Good weather aids latest strikes <u>NATO</u> briefing
- Situations seeming calm in Montenegro
- KLA and Serb forces continue fighting, Albanian nationals urged to leave border area adding to refugee crisis
- 16 temporary housing units handed over for refugee use in Sutina settlement
- Westendorp and Barry demand changes in Central Bosnia Canton
- Izetbegovic meets with Italian Ambassador
- Silajdzic and delegate from United Arab Emirates discuss investments in BiH

- BiH Federation Economic Council holds session on strategy of foreign trade, border police and customs for successful trade
- Covic meets with Kauzlarich and discusses economy and Kosovo crisis
- HDZ BiH demands replacement of TV BiH Director and Temporary Executive Board Chairman
- For HNS, any political change in BiH is important, especially adoption of new election law
- Only losers in BiH are honest people, BiH Croats must bind their fate with internationally recognized BiH but maintain contact with motherland – United HSP
- DNZ announces party registered for election in 98 municipalities
- Mass for exhumed Bugojno Croats
- Seven years ago 750 Zvornik people went missing on Klisa-Bijeli Potok road
- 19 cars donated to war invalids in Buzinska and Bosanska Krupa Municipalities
- BiH refugees in Denmark torn between return and staying
- Eurovision contest winner plagiarized song
- Sarajevo welcomes BiH Eurovision entrants
- International music festival to be held in Zetra on 19 June
- TV BiH marks 38th anniversary

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Barry meets with BiH party representatives

Head of the <u>OSCE</u> Mission in BiH Robert Barry met with BiH party representatives and discussed the permanent election law and a possible delay of the elections. Most surveyed parties, as screened by <u>OSCE</u>, decided on a postponement of this year's elections, scheduled for November. If a decision were reached to postpone the elections, it would be until April 2000. The municipal elections would then be held separately from the general elections. As a reason for separating them, Barry said simultaneous elections at municipal and state levels would cause complications. Although a date is not yet set, parties are preparing candidate lists and coalitions and the OSCE is recommending an interruption of these activities until a final decision is reached. A draft of the permanent election law should be ready by mid-July and the BiH Federation Parliament will have it for consideration later this year, but the Parliament will need plenty of time to adopt the law, and then entity and cantonal laws will have to be harmonized with it. The right of voters to cast their votes at the place of their pre-war homes is confirmed.

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Brcko Municipality officials meet with **OSCE** representatives

After a meeting between Brcko municipal officials and OSCE representatives, Sinisa Kisic stated that he supports the idea of creating a permanent election law, and Munib Jusufovic proposed that the mayor be elected outside the political structure, by a citizens' vote. Mijo Anic is of the opinion that no law in BiH can be adopted permanently or be implemented without many annexes.

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Westendorp and Barry demand changes in Central Bosnia Canton

High Representative Carlos Westendorp and Head of the OSCE Mission in BiH Robert Barry demand that Governor of Central Bosnia Canton, Branko Golub, and his deputy Adnan Terzic replace Cantonal Deputy Minister of Trade and Tourism, Stipe Zecic and Deputy Cantonal Minister of Electricity, Water Supply and Mining Abdulah Topcic, within 14 days due to inadequate performance.

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HDZ BiH demands replacement of TV BiH Director and Temporary Executive Board Chairman

Regarding the latest activities in the restructuring of TV BiH, HDZ BiH spokesperson Zoran Tomic once again expressed discontent with its progress. Tomic named General Director Mirsad Purivatra and Temporary Executive Board Chairman Ante Domazet as most responsible for the station's difficult situation and the HDZ BiH demands their replacement.

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