

OHR BiH TV News Summary, 11 October 1998

Kosovo – The Kosovo crisis is straying further and further from the possibility of a diplomatic solution. There are more and more arguments for a military intervention. The American bombers arrived in the base near London. The authorisation of military action will be announced at the [NATO](#) base, tomorrow. Holbrook will spend the next 48 hours in continuous negotiations with Milosevic. The Serbian authorities have strengthened the censors in order to grant a monopoly to state information. Kosovo was one of the topics in the speech of Hilary Clinton on the occasion of the Opening of the Women's Congress in Bulgaria. The FRY Marines have been put on alert state for days. After Albania, Bulgaria joined the countries which will support [NATO](#) operations on their territories. Holbrook was rather surprised to hear that Milosevic, with whom he ended the talks only a few minutes earlier, had told the media that all necessary conditions existed for the political process of the pending Kosovo questions. Nothing has changed and the situation is very serious, Holbrook told the news. Russia informed the [NATO](#) Officials today, that due to the failure of further dialogue in the Kosovo crisis and [NATO](#)'s decision to use a power against FRY, it temporarily will revoke its Ambassador to [NATO](#), Sergej Kiselak. This decision caused great dissatisfaction for Javier Solana, [NATO](#) General Secretary, according to Beta.

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Sedra – One of conclusions at the two day session on refugee returns which was held in the tourist centre near Cazin stated that the realisation of return projects in the whole post-war period is far from what was planned and expected. Representatives of the Federal and Cantonal Ministries, as well as representatives of major international organisations

acting in BiH, took part in this conference. The problems in RS, Central BiH and Hercegovina, were particularly expressed but they also exist in the return and acceptance of refugees from western countries. Ejup Ganic, Federation President talked today on the concrete situation in the field from the aspect of what was planned and what was carried out on the issue.

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Doboj – Around 100 refugees from Doboj who live in Sweden, visited their own town after longer than six years. This trip was supported by the Association of Refugees from Doboj, Gradina and the Swedish Government. Association's delegation spoke with the Doboj Mayor.

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Livno – RTV BiH again established its branch in Livno. The first report from Livno assessed that this town has once more confirmed that it is politically unchanged. Although the new Municipal Assembly was insignificantly changed with some outsiders parties' names, the domination of the HDZ power is apparent with its basic program to maintain the directives Herceg-Bosna.

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Sarajevo – A piece in the program Topic of the day described the prolongation of dates for the privatisation, small privatisation and the problems which halt this long ago announced process.

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Zvornik – The expert team has ended exhumations on the biggest mass grave in BiH found until now. The bodies began to be transported to Tuzla where the identification of victims will take place. Jacques Paul Klein, Deputy HR visited the grave yesterday. The mothers and families I have spoken to want exhumation, identification and closure and we do owe it to them, Klein told the journalist at the site.

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Zenica – There follows a reportage from the Dom porodica (Home of the Families) organisation which is taking care of children without parents.

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Sarajevo – Despite the fact that BiH can not solve the problem of its own refugees and DPS, it has found a possibility to help those displaced from Kosovo. It is estimated that there are around seven thousand refugees from Kosovo in Sarajevo alone. A large number has never been registered. Only around 2.500 have been registered.

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Sarajevo – The standards, new methods and urban planning in towns will be discussed at an Experts Conference, which will be held in Sarajevo next two days. Apart from experts on Planning and Urbanism from the BiH Federation, experts from the other European countries and Canada will participate at the conference.

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