OHR BiH TV News Summary, 12 August 1999

News Headlines

- Biggest cannabis plantation in BiH Federation discovered in Kamenica settlement, near Bihac
- •50 years since Geneva Conventions signed, <u>UN</u> holds celebratory session
- Farrand visits Travnik and Jajce Municipality representatives to investigate implementation of refugee return process
- TV BiH interview with BiH Federation Minister for Social Policy and Refugees Sulejman Garib on minority refugee return process
- Expert teams continue exhumation of bodies from localities in village of Zulici, near Zvornik, presumed to be men from Srebrenica
- <u>UN</u> Security Council elects Swiss State Prosecutor Carla del Ponte for new <u>ICTY</u> Chief Prosecutor
- Indictment against Vinko 'Stela' Martinovic read in The Hague, Stela pleads not guilty to all charges
- New conflicts between KFOR and Kosovo Albanians occur in village of Gornja Brnica
- Around 500 Kosovo Albanians attack Russian KFOR soldiers
- Father Artemije accuses Thaci of supporting exile of Serbs from Kosovo
- Seselj's party, SRS, gets into new Yugoslav Government
- Yugoslavia will enter another century without MilosevicDjindjic
- World news
- Refugees that submitted applications for return of tenant rights before 4 July allowed to submit complaints to Commission for property issues if their applications were not resolved satisfactorily

- IMF delegation meets with Bicakcic to discuss National Bank liquidation and BiH Federation budget
- Central Bank prepares brochure on information on identifying counterfeit money
- SDA press conference
- Republican Party President Kljujic considers idea to build port in Neum biggest political, economic and ecological nonsense
- HDZ Municipal Board Brcko addresses Farrand and Djapo request for suspension of multiethnic Assembly Secretary Mate Jurisic for neglecting his duties
- Temporary bridge over Sava between BiH and Croatia in Bosanska Gradiska opens
- Reconstruction of Aleksin Han bridge near Jablanica completed
- Culture and Art

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Brcko Supervisor Robert Farrand visited Travnik and Jajce to discuss two-way refugee return with municipality heads. At the meeting with Central Bosnia Canton authorities, Farrand discussed a Brcko-Central Bosnia Canton two-way return plan. He said that the authorities expressed a readiness to invest efforts into improvement of implementation in this issue. According to Central Bosnia Governor Branko Golub, around 4,000 Serbs, former citizens of Travnik and Jajce, now live in Brcko. BiH Federation Minister for Social Policy and Refugees Suleiman Garib expressed satisfaction with the meeting. According to Farrand's information, around 60-70% of the displaced persons in Brcko want to return to their pre-war Farrand's with meeting Jajce Municipality representatives concluded that concrete actions on the refugee return process for Brcko-Jajce will follow.

SDA press conference

The SDA stated at a press conference that the CD Coalition will start an initiative for restructuring the RS Government and will demand that Bosniaks and Croats participate in the RS executive. The SDA supports all requests towards achieving Bosniak rights in Sandzak. The SDA does not support the agreement on Zepce, and they will not back down in the face of announced sanctions on this region.

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