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Decision for Brcko is positive for the RS, the High Representative said after his meeting with Brcko Supervisor, Farrand and the RS Experts' Commission for the Brcko decision. However, the RS officials still consider the decision to be inappropriate and opposite Dayton. As it was unofficially learned, OHR spokesman demanded removal of the RS flag, which was standing above the press conference podium. Westendorp said that the RS is not going to be divided and that here are many issues regarding the Brcko decision that can be resolved by annexes. RS NA President Djokic said that the NA session will be held on March 22 and will discuss election of the new government. The "Sloga" Coalition condemned CoM Chairman Silajdzic's statement that "he BiH joint institutions could decide without the RS representatives." Democratic Party of the RS said that former RS President Sarovic is ready to accept the mandate of the RS Acting President. But Sarovic's Cabinet did not confirm or deny this information.

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Republic of Croatia Parliament verified the Agreement on Special Relations between BiH and Croatia. 0:10

Milosevic definitely refused allocation of peace troops in Kosovo, Russian FA Minister Ivanov said after his meeting with the FRY President. The Belgrade regime continued its military-police offensive in Kosovo in the regions of Vucitrn, Drenica and Kacanik, Ibrahim Rugova said at the press conference, demanding urgent intervention of the International Community. UNHCR published that 4000 Albanians are missing.

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Hungary, the Czech Republic and Poland were given <u>NATO</u> membership, while Russia opposed the <u>NATO</u> expansion, which includes former Warsaw Bloc countries.
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The Experts' Team for Glumina mass grave finished identification of 142 victims out of 247 bodies found at the biggest mass grave yet found in BiH. 2:00