

# OHR BiH TV News Summary, 19 September 1999

## News Headlines

- Russia concentrates new forces on border with Chechnya
- [UN](#) peace-keeping forces arrive in East Timor
- World news
- Story on difficult living conditions for refugees from Bratunac and Srebrenica in collective Tehnograd center, Slavinovici, near Tuzla
- Good results in refugee returns to Bosanski Petrovac Municipalities of Bukovaca, Smoljane and others
- Pre-war citizens of Velika, near Derventa, express strong wish to return and expect donated construction material to rebuild destroyed houses
- Story on 82 orphans living in Mira, Lukavac Municipality, which was reconstructed with help from German donation
- Izetbegovic meets with Pardew and Frowick
- Association of Mothers from Srebrenica address letter to Izetbegovic
- Merhamet Coordination Board for Bosniak Returns to RS judges return of nine Bosniak families to their property in Banja Luka as important event for Bosniaks in RS
- SDP concludes two-day seminar in Zenica and starts pre-election campaign
- Circle 99 assesses BiH Presidency intention to proclaim BiH Statehood Day on date when Dayton agreement signed as incomprehensible
- BiH Education Ministry meets with Zenica-Doboj Canton Primary Education Union
- International Children's Institute organizes conference "Voices of our children" on children's education and needs

- First kidney transplant in Tuzla successfully executed

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### **Izetbegovic meets with Pardew and Frowick**

BiH Presidency member Alija Izetbegovic met with Special US Presidential envoys for [Dayton Agreement](#) implementation James Pardew and Robert Frowick. The refugee return process was discussed and it was agreed that thousands of refugees who spontaneously returned to their pre-war homes this year need assistance. The US delegation said that the principle of two-way return should be respected, especially in west Mostar and Banja Luka. Izetbegovic supported the efforts of the US anti-corruption team in investigating the truth regarding the New York Times allegations of corruption in BiH.

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### **Association of Mothers from Srebrenica address letter to Izetbegovic**

The Association of Mother's from Srebrenica and Podrinje addressed an open letter to BiH Presidency Member Alija Izetbegovic letter protesting the fact that state institutions have never seriously taken into consideration the fate of over 10,000 missing persons. They also pointed out that there has been significant manipulation of military documents.

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### **BiH Education Ministry meets with Zenica-Doboj Canton Primary Education Union**

The Primary School Education Union warned authorities that the present situation in primary education can no longer be tolerated because it violates the basic conventions of childrens' rights. This was the reason for the meeting between Zenica-Doboj Canton Primary Schools Union and the Education Ministry. "Schools have to be saved from policy and education

workers have to be allowed to do their work according to the ethical and moral norms of their profession” representatives of BiH Education Union stated at the meeting. Zenica-Doboj Canton Primary Schools Union President Mirha Pihura stated that “we do not want either single-nationality schools or single-nationality teachers’ councils in multiethnic environments and we demand renewal of the school verification procedure and a new decision for the re-unification of every school.”

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