OHR BiH TV News Summary, 21 June 1998

Two-day international conference on investments finished today in Sarajevo. Sponsor of the conference was the Islamic Development Bank, and some of 200 members are even richer than the Islamic Development Bank itself. BiH representatives presented local projects to the foreign investors. The main subject of today's discussion was free trade zone in BiH.
5:00

Heavy shelling continued in Kosovo regions of Drenica, Decani and borderline zone with Albania. It was also reported that 40 people are dead in Decani region and inaccessible to bury. All of them are reported to be elders, women and children under 15.
3:00

RS delegation led by Prime Minister deputy Kremenovic visited Strasbourg yesterday, in order to attend European Council Parliament session. Kremenovic said that RS delegation discussed models of local self-management, which will be different than Federation model.
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Croatian politic sources consider that agreement on special relations with BiH Federation has more chance for faster implementation. Part of agreement on special relations in regard with the Ploce harbour is being finished as well as free transfer through Neum and establishing joint consortium for roads.
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Aluminium company in Mostar representative, Jovicic submitted the report on the status of Trade Union offices and employees who are being disabled for one of the basic human rights – the

right to work. Jovicic said that employees do not want to go to ethnic factories, and what the full engagement of relevant authorities in order to resolve these matters. BiH Syndicate Union representative, Hrle said that HR Westendorp has the obligation and the duty to solve this matter being the most responsible for the DPA implementation. Hrle also addressed a demand to Westendorp and Sir Martin Garrod to urgently prevent illegal co-capitalisation, and privatisation in this area.
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According to the Canton Ministry for Social Affairs and Refugees, 16.879 persons reported for return to Sarajevo Canton. Amongst them there are 9.977 Bosniaks, 4.018 Serbs and 2.528 Croats. 365 persons registered as “others”. 2.145 persons returned to Canton until the last month, out of which 1.436 from abroad and 709 persons returned from Federation and the RS.
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Zenica office for Repatriation held a seminar with the main subject of accommodation problems of refugees in the spirit of new law solutions, meant for officers of similar offices in BiH.
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Republic of Croatia Government adopted and announced the plan of return of Serb refugees to Croatia in accordance with instructions and demands of the international Community. The instructions say that the Croatian Government guarantees even to those whose houses are currently occupied. In this case, a house is returned to the person who wishes to return in a considerable term that would allow to accommodate persons who are currently inhabiting this house. The programme will cover about 220.000 people.
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