OHR BiH TV News Summary, 22 April 1999

Kuwait Investments Agency promised new investment for the Zenica Steelworks, worth 100 million Marks.

- In this morning's attacks, NATO destroyed the residence of FRY President Milosevic
- NATO Secretary General Solana approved preparation of the plans for ground troops engagement in Kosovo
- The White House would support NATO if they decide to deploy ground troops in Kosovo
- Tensions intensified between military and civilian authorities in Montenegro
- Sessions of the BiH Council of Ministers and the Federation Government
- Significant contract signed at the RTV BiH and "Elektroprivreda" BiH
- 22 of April – the Day of Planet Earth

CoM Co-chairman Silajdzic commented on Kuwait Government Development Fund investment for the Zenica steel-mill – the "BiH Steel", and said that this represents another step forward in BiH economy. This morning, the NATO aircraft stroke FRY President's residency in Belgrade. The strikes also continued in Kosovo, Novi Sad, Kursumlija, Kraljevo, Krusevac and other parts of Serbia. Yugoslav President Milosevic met with Russian Special Envoy Cernomyrdin, discussing possible solution of the Kosovo crisis. Yugoslav Minister of Information Komnenic said that the 7.200 NATO strikes carried out so far resulted in 517 casualties, including 13 children, 4.500 seriously injured, and in material damage which is estimated to be several tens of billions of US dollars. Yugoslav authorities officially accused the NATO alliance for attempting assassination of the Yugoslav President.

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RTV BiH brought very recent Milosevic TV statement [the footage had “KHOU-TV” logo in upper-left corner] in which he says he believes cessation of bombardment would result in continuation of peace process.
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“When you are dealing with a criminal, use of force is not an aggression, but establishing of legitimacy” Romanian Defence Minister said. Montenegrin President Djukanovic said that Milosevic is using the war in order to manipulate the army to take over civilian rule in Montenegro. “Kosovapress” Agency reported that Serbian forces massacred 64 Albanians, according to eyewitnesses. OSCE Mission in Tirana said that conflicts continued at the Albanian border. Bosniak National Council from Sandzak reported on harassment of Bosniaks in Sandzak.
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OHR spokesperson Stiglmayer said that staff of international organisation is returning to their offices in the RS, after they temporarily moved out from them, when NATO strikes began. The RS Government held a session today, discussing consequences that NATO strikes on Yugoslavia have had on the RS economy.
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OHR spokesperson Stiglmayer said that if there is no results in the Sarajevo Declaration implementation in the next several months, Sarajevo Canton could face sanctions.