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News Headlines

- Planet Earth Day denoted
- SFOR arrests Dragan Nikolic 'Jenki (Yankee)', who has been indicted of crimes against humanity by The Hague Tribunal, near Vlasenica in the RS
- World news
- TV BiH interview with Edhem Bicakcic on the reasons behind his resignation
- BiH Independent Trade Union representatives hold press conference to discuss collective labor contract and the contribution it will make toward the status of workers
- Report on shares for the privatization process: what they look like – their form, appearance, etc.
- Una-Sana Canton Government holds session on reconstruction of the government and downsizing the number of its ministries
- TV BiH comments on Petritsch's statement to the Feral Tribune on BiH local election results
- SDP Main Board accepts report on party's work in 1999
- BOSS sends initiative to senior municipal institutions in Tuzla to reopen Josip Broz 'Tito' monument in that town
- Funds Transfer Trade Union members preparing to establish strike board
- Independent journalist Vlastimir Mijovic is guest speaker at Council of Bosniak Intellectuals (VKBI) panel discussion, he analyses BiH local election results
- Mehmed Husic re-elected president of BiH Union of Independent Journalists
- World news
- Goran Bregovic holds concerts in Bosnian Cultural Center

(BKC) in Sarajevo – TV BiH Interview
- Cardinal Vinko Puljic to mark start of Easter holiday at the Sarajevo Cathedral on Saturday
- Culture and art
- Seven persons receive minor injures from five hand grenades thrown in front of Pale discotheque Max, perpetrator arrested, no further details given – local police

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TV BiH interview with Edhem Bicakcic on the reasons behind his resignation

BiH Federation Prime Minister Edhem Bicakcic, in an interview with TV BiH, said: "I gave my resignation to President Alija Izetbegovic after the latest session of the BiH House of Representatives. During that session, we were not able to implement even minimum reconstruction of the BiH Federation Government due to the absence of SDA members from parliamentary sessions. This means that there is a certain level of obstruction from within the ruling party towards the government it elected. If we expand this to obstructions from within the CD Coalition, then we realize that the possibilities and scope of my work have been decreased severely, and that I do not have the needed support in the parliament."

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TV BiH comments on Petritsch's statement to the Feral Tribune on BiH local election results

TV BiH anchor: "(…) High Representative Wolfgang Petritsch's statements to the Split weekly Feral Tribune turn us back to the topic of elections. However, let us take a look at Petritsch's statement, given in the early 90s, during the war in BiH. Petritsch then said that the BiH media played a great role during the conflict in this region, we quote Petritsch's

statement, “(the media was) suggesting that the war was the only solution.” Concerning municipal elections, Petritsch said that the people of the BiH Federation have discovered a real alternative to the SDA in the SDP BiH. Petritsch also said that BiH, as a state, would not in future be divided anymore, but consolidated.

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Mehmed Husic re-elected president of BiH Union of Independent Journalists

ONASA General Director and Editor-in-Chief Mehmed Husic was re-elected President of the BiH Union of Independent Journalists at an assembly on Saturday. Participants suggested the amalgamation of journalistic associations in BiH, adopted the Union’s work report and promoted a new editorial code for the print, radio and TV media.

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