## OHR BiH TV News Summary, 22 June 2000

## **News Headlines**

- BiH House of Representatives approves staffing structure of new BiH Council of Ministers, as proposed by Chairman-elect Spasoje Tusevljak
- RS National Assembly adopts RS Criminal Code
- RS National Assembly starts discussion on RS Government's two-year report
- Tusevljak opens BiH Financial Forum on Economic Trends in 2000
- BiH's 13 biggest donors promise to continue aid to SDP municipalities; SDA assesses this as political apartheid and segregation
- BiH Federation Government adopts draft laws on small business and foreign investments
- European Commission establishes Flexible Reaction Fund to improve refugee returns in BiH
- Representatives of Municipal Return Offices in Eastern Bosnia visit returnees in tent settlement in Suceska village, Srebrenica
- Bicakcic not familiar with reasons behind postponement of construction of Sarajevo-Zenica highway
- Negotiations with foreign investors interested in construction of Velika Kladusa-Kljuc highway stopped due to conflict between Una-Sana Canton and BiH Federation Government
- Dario Kordic defense attorneys present their case before The Hague Tribunal
- HN Canton Interior Ministry rejects IC accusations it failed to arrest 'Mostar Five,' and insists that they would have arrested these five indicted war criminals if they had been in Mostar

- Del Ponte meets with Montenegrin President Djukanovic in Podgorica
- World news
- Political parties and coalitions due to submit lists of 'replacement candidates' by 1 September to PEC – OSCCE spokesperson Tanya Domi
- Article 103 of PEC Election Rules and Regulations is leading BiH toward final ethnic division – SDA
- Rasim Kadic to be elected Liberal Democratic Party (LDS) President at party Unification Congress – Liberal-Bosniak Organization (LBO) and BiH Liberals tell joint press conference
- BOSS party welcomes Tuzla Canton decision to support BiH Federation Parliament's efforts to protect <u>Dayton</u> <u>Agreement</u> principles
- Privatization and restitution are essential for economic progress in BiH – BiH Republican party
- Until Brcko District and BiH entity governments reach agreement, revenues from utilities in Brcko District will be divided between RS and BiH Federation budgets – International Brcko Supervisor Gary Matthews
- Promotion of Mirsad Catic's wartime memoirs 'Shadow Over Igman'
- Sarajevo plastic surgeons succeed during 12-hour operation to re-attach youth's sawed-off fingers
- Sports
- Weather

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The SDP BiH called a meeting in Sarajevo on Thursday gathering the representatives of the 13 leading countries-donors to BiH and international institutions tasked with implementation of municipal election results in BiH. Donors pledged financial support to the newly established Association of SDP BiH Heads of Municipality. Donors said they would support refugee return and infrastructure reconstruction projects in the municipalities where SDP won the power in the last BiH local election. Meanwhile, the SDA, at its press conference in Sarajevo on Thursday, assessed that "separate" donors' conferences for the SDP BiH only, represented an act of "political apartheid" and "segregation of BiH citizens dependent on which political party won political power in their municipality."

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