

# OHR BiH TV News Summary, 23 January 2000

## News Headlines

- Mihajlovic asks Petritsch to remove Silajdzic from all public functions
- Snow brings traffic to standstill and creates other difficulties throughout BiH
- Bad weather causing problems in Livno Canton
- More than one million people in Spain protest over ETA terrorism in that country – international news reports
- Presidential election silence commences in Croatia, voting starts at 7:00 in the morning and runs until 19:00 – TV BiH report from Zagreb
- Journalist Kemal Kurspahic guest of Circle 99 panel session, discusses US views on BiH
- HSS considers that HDZ BiH continues with manipulative method
- Third convention of Liberals BiH party Youth Organization 'Caution – The Future' takes place in Sarajevo
- Elektroprivreda General Director Meho Obradovic letter to Mostar citizens expressing sincere sorrow over recent floods in that town
- Sanski Most residents oppose idea of building of hydropower-plant on Sava in that town because it could harm environment
- Food producers in Tuzla Canton could improve production through loans from Tuzla Canton Government initiative on privatization
- Nineteen refugee houses reconstructed in Skugrici, in Cerska area of Bosansko Podrinje region
- Sarajevo City Museum needs funding for reconstruction as well as repair of exhibits

- Cardinal Puljic and Metropolitan Nikolaj hold joint mass at Congressional Church in Sarajevo
- Hadzici police officers cooperating with Hunter's Association of Bjelasnica to arrest four poachers Ivan Sedlo locality

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### **Mihajlovic asks Petritsch to remove Silajdzic from all public functions**

Co-chairman of the Council of Ministers Svetozar Mihajlovic asked High Representative [Wolfgang Petritsch](#) to remove the other co-chairman, Haris Silajdzic, from all official duties in BiH. As reported by Beta, Mihajlovic expects Petritsch to carry this out so as to continue with the implementation of the Dayton peace process. Mihajlovic's request comes in response to Silajdzic's request for prompt and radical revision of the Dayton Peace Agreement at an informal meeting of seven Balkan country prime ministers, the European Union and [NATO](#) representatives in Sofia. According to Beta, Mihajlovic accused Silajdzic of advocating an Islamic republic in this region.

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### **HSS considers that HDZ BiH continues with manipulative method**

The HSS considers that the HDZ BiH is continuing to use methods of manipulation. Backing their claim, the HSS used the example of a press release mentioning the results of a meeting of representatives of Croat institutions held on 18 January for which the HDZ took credit. Another example is an article in the newspapers with the headline "Response of the Croat Political Leadership on the Processes of De-Constituting Croats in BiH" attempting to leave the impression that the article was written according to the minutes of that meeting. The HSS said that such claims are incorrect because such an issue was not discussed at the meeting.

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