OHR BiH TV News Summary, 24 August 2000

News Headlines:

- 143 persons die in Airbus crash in Bahrain
- Izetbegovic sends letter of condolence to Bahrain following crash
- BiH Council of Ministers holds session to discuss collection of vehicle insurance fees for vehicles entering BiH without green card, while BiH Border Service Director Vukovic, who was invited to session and waited outside, was not called in
- BiH Border Service Director Vukovic prepares instructions for border police concerning green card control at Doljani, Izacic and Zvornik border crossings, announces that these instructions were not implemented at border crossings controlled by entity police officers
- Tusevljak informs that work of BiH Border Service was not on agenda of BiH Council of Ministers session, even if BiH Border Service Director Vukovic was due to attend session
- RS National Assembly holds session with following agenda points: budget, finance police, fiscal laws, pensioners and pension-disability insurance
- Five days after BiH Constitutional Court session, Court President Trnka informs of results and conclusions (use of language, parallel relations with Yugoslavia, freedom of religion)
- Agreement on donation of 11 million KM by US for establishment of BiH Insurance Deposit Agency signed in Sarajevo
- Klein presents 15,000-DM check to Sarajevo-based organisations, the Multi-Service Centre and the International Initiative of Women 'Biseri (Pearls)',

which will use the funds to re-build their centre

- OHR warns that implementation of real property laws is going too slowly
- Mayors of Mostar municipalities call on <u>OSCE</u> Mostar Regional Head Simpson to visit all municipalities and investigate status of real property law implementation
- BiH Federation Defence Ministry announces it will raise charges against NHI, saying "we are stunned with false and malicious NHI statements that drug are premeditatedly sold to soldiers in Capljina training centre"
- Following BiH Federation Defence Ministry announcement on raising charges against NHI, HDZ press release says that Zubak is attempting to discriminate and discredit greatest values of Croats and show the amount of hatred and filthiness Zubak will use in his pre-election campaign
- SDA requests High Representative to stop illegal allocation of state-owned land, citing negative examples of Capljina, Zepce and RS
- BiH must have its own way to join <u>NATO</u> Republican party press conference
- 179 workers of Bihac Trgovina Company continue hunger strike due to dissatisfaction with status
- Strengthening personnel in administration and directive boards prior to privatisation in Brcko District is necessary and must be supported
- Bijeljina local authority is auctioning 20 retail shops in trade centre, although current owners do not agree with this
- Zenica-Doboj Canton Prosecutor announces big operation against corruption in this region
- BRT objects to IMC decision, and BRT Board President Latic said, "IMC does not have the right to do this, to fabricate facts, to commit violence against them and logic, we have not misled anyone, we do not have any interest in that because it is the same for us if we are

a public or private TV station"

- Albright calls on citizens of Serbia to vote in upcoming elections
- Yugoslav Army blocks roads from Pljevlja to RS TV Montenegro (Crna Gora)
- World news