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- EU ministers discuss financial aid to Montenegro
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- Tuzla Canton Institute for Healthcare to request aid from BiH Federation Government

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The Hague Tribunal has opened the file on the Omarska, Keraterm and Trnopolje camps where of 6,000 imprisoned Bosniaks and Croats only several hundreds survived. Miroslav Kvocka, Milojica Kos, Mladjo Radic and Zoran Zigic, who were indicted of war crimes committed in the Prijedor region, pleaded not guilty to the charges at their initial appearance before the ICTY. The indictment charges theses four persons with torture, rape and murder of prisoners in the Omarska,

Trnpolje and Keraterm concentration camps from April to August of 1992. During this period, Prijedor authorities imprisoned more than 6,000 Bosniaks and Croats. Only several hundred prisoners survived these camps, said an ICTY prosecutor in his opening address to the Trial Chamber. "These four indicted persons were the instruments of a terror campaign not seen in Europe since WWII" said the prosecutor.

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