OHR BiH TV News Summary, 29 April 1999

- NATO intensifies strikes on Serbia
- The Hague confirms official charges brought by Yugoslavia against <u>NATO</u> countries for unauthorized use of force from 24 March
- Yugoslavia announces launch of indictments, through Kofi Annan, against those responsible for attempted assassination of Milosevic
- Government cannot be represented by person ruining its reputation, no one is entitled to distract peoples attention from defending country – Serb Socialists spokesperson Ivica Dacic
- Possibility of Draskovic being guinea pig and testing mood of local public should not be ruled out – announcement by Serb Democratic party
- Visible growth of resistance to Milosevic announces near end to air strikes – Djukanovic
- Golubovac airport near Podgorica bombed again, one killed
- Eurovision pictures show KLA unit on Skuz Mountain
- Kosova press lists 53 killed Albanians
- Oil embargo on Yugoslavia effective today, non-NATO countries join in
- Chernomyrdin holds talks with Schroeder on peaceful resolution of Kosovo crisis
- House of Peoples discusses special relations agreement with Croatia and budget
- Still not clear whether session will go on, Bosniaks propose threat to annexes, as with special relations agreement – live from Parliament
- BiH Parliamentary delegation at Strasbourg Conference
- Hodzic demands IC look into who hid information on

crimes

- OHR removes Hodzic from office
- Bugojno trial of eight Bosniaks accused of terrorism continues 13 May, when indictment will be changed
- Union of BiH Refugees and DPs in Zenica discusses twoway return to Doboj and Zenica
- Klein meets with Interior Ministers of both entities and all Cantons, confirming arrangements for issuing joint drivers' licenses
- BiH Croat delegation led by Jelavic to visit Vatican
- SDA expresses regret for refusal of Izetbegovic proposal to form joint statement for Strasbourg, also for extension of deadline on Brcko arbitration
- There are no all-Croat national Assembly institutions in BiH and NHI cannot accept HDZ invitation to organize one
- BOSS proposes referendum to establish progress towards privatization
- RTV BiH should be real, autonomous institution CD Coalition requests funds
- OHR welcomes House of Representatives approval of TV Law as basis for further discussion, a chance for BiH Croats to preserve national identity
- TV BiH Director Mirsad Purivatra talks with Central Bosnia Canton representatives on greater participation in program
- Six BiH journalist organizations form first BiH journalism codex, plan to form press council to monitor implementation

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Tuzla Canton Interior Minster Ferid Hodzic claims he did nothing to distract investigations. Moreover, he himself launched an investigation into alleged criminal acts in the Canton after an Izet Hadzic statement regarding the Cantonal Assembly. He demanded that the IC look into who it was that hid information about crimes for half a year. "We did everything to abide by the law, there are no misunderstandings with the BiH Federation Ministry and my relationship with the Minister is a personal matter" said Hadzic. He claimed that no removals were made except for some restriction of the authority of certain officials. Hodzic emphasized that Osman Osmanovic was named coordinator in the Brcko area, although in possession of information of criminal acts in the Canton, which he kept secret from all officials in the Ministry, including former Minister Mirza Jusufagic. Therefore, he is surprised at the allegations made by IC representatives, since he has personally shown them this information. (01:41)