OHR BiH TV News Summary, 31 May 1999

News Headlines

- 54 teenagers killed, over 100 injured in underground party incident in Belarus
- Member of BiH air base military police injured by hand grenade in Bihac, perpetrator detained
- Explosions resound throughout west Mostar as Croatian Statehood Day celebrated
- Tensions on the rise in Montenegro after police stop
 Yugoslav soldiers on their way to Lovcen
- No report from Belgrade due to power shortage
- <u>NATO</u> hits retirement home in Surdulica
- Albanian border post in Morina hit
- Village of Plane in flames
- KLA carries through offensive on Pastik mountain
- Finnish President to meet with Chernomyrdin and Talbott in Moscow, Belgrade on Wednesday
- I see realistic chances for cease-fire Stepashin
- President of transitional Kosovar government, Hasim Taci favors National Security Council and uniting of military and political factions
- Zenica Municipality looks at trust misplaced in local officials
- Milosevic indictment historic event simultaneously strengthening BiH suit against Yugoslavia for aggression
 BiH Liberal Party Vice-president Hasim Salkic
- BiH an imaginary state and therefore necessary to revise and expand <u>Dayton Agreement</u> – LBO Vice-president Salih Foco
- Construction of five-star hotel to start this year at Skenderija
- World No-Smoking Day

- Brcko arbitration only final in establishing district territory
- Negating claims by SNS Municipal Council that Doboj Municipality is run by self-rule, lawlessness and irresponsibility officials of Doboj Municipality accuse SNS of attempted coup
- De-mining operations under way in Sarajevo Canton
- World news
- Increasing number of Yugoslav plates, lacking insurance, on BiH roads present hazard to traffic security
- TV BiH crew return from Jerusalem after Eurovision song contest
- Quality of BHT program repeatedly confirmed on various contests
- TV BiH helps establish a identity of John Doe found in street with amnesia

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Zenica Municipality looks at trust misplaced in local officials

"The latest episode in the various political events in Zenica Municipality is an action of establishing trust in local SDA candidates. The whole thing began with a complaint from Zenica journalists over the Municipal Head intervening in editorial policy, continued with the naming of highest officials by the Zenica Patriotic League club, and followed by reactions from the OHR Media Department and High Representative Carlos Westendorp himself. Events evolved into the questioning of trust given to representatives, which caused dismissals. Head of Zenica Municipality Ferid Alic and Canton President Bedrudin Salcinovic are some of the people the Patriotic League pointed to. Not long after, the SDA Club of Counselors presented an incentive for the Zenica Municipal Council to analyze the trust given to the head of the municipality. This proposal was rejected because of HDZ objections, explaining how a month ago a report was accepted analyzing the work of

Municipal executive organs, and was evaluated positively. The SDA proposal was dropped. The SDA then held a meeting of the Municipal Assembly, attended by party members at state level, evaluating confidence in all members, including President Ibrahim Puric. All were supported but Puric resigned, citing private reasons. Nobody is willing to comment, so the question remains, if all this has confirmed conflicting opinions within the SDA, whether the hunt on the municipal Head is over and does the claim that Zenica journalists are politically manipulated stand?"

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Brcko arbitration only final in establishing district territory

"The arbitration decision for Brcko is final only to the extent that pre-war territory determined Brcko district and all other decisions are to be determined through annexes to preserve the interests of the RS and Serb people in this area" RS Prime Minister Milorad Dodik stated on Monday.

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