

OHR BiH TV News Summary, 4 January 1999

BiH Justice authorities received approval from the Hague Tribunal for criminal prosecution of Fikret Abdic. As said in the announcement from BiH Presidency member Izetbegovic's cabinet, [ICTY](#) prosecutor overviewed Fikret Badic's dossier, delivered in accordance with the Rules of the Road, from the Rome Agreement. The prosecutor concluded that the presented evidence indicates towards grounded suspicion that Fikret Abdic severely violated the international law, by inhumane treatment of civilians and prisoners of war, as well as by forced mobilisation of civilians. [ICTY](#) prosecutor also informed High Representatives Westendorp on this matter.

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Monetary union in Europe was established with the beginning of this year, by implementing the "Euro" currency as a valid mean of payment. "Euro" will also be the basis for the Konvertibilna Marka as of January 1 2002, when the German Mark will be withdrawn.

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Seven persons were killed in Kosovo in the past several days, despite the cease-fire. Albanian sources reported on armed incidents and movements of Yugoslav Army in the regions of Klina and Kosovska Mitrovica.

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It is completely certain that implementation of Annex 7 of the [DPA](#) in the area of BiH will depend on the upcoming decision on Brcko, for, just decision on Brcko may be a positive signal for refugee return Bosnia and Herzegovina-wide. About 12.000 people returned to the Tuzla/Podrinje Canton in the past year. Many of them are from the RS area, and they all live in hope

they will return to their homes in this year.

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Almost complete pre-war population of Bosanska Krupa returned to this town. Along with this, citizens of Serb nationality are returning daily. BiH TV also made interviews with returnees to Bosanska Krupa, and all (three) of them said they were happy to return home.

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RS Government Designate Brane Miljus said that he does not recognise decision of the Independent Social Democrats party Executive Board, on his dismissal from the party. According to him, only the Main Board can make the decision. SDS Co-chairman Cavic commented on recent events in the RS and said, "Serb policy in the RS has become the hostage of CDU BiH policy and its leader, Bico."

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New Croat Initiative for Central Bosnia Cantonal Board demanded from HR Westendorp and OSCE Mission in BiH to replace Pero Madzar from all functions because of his insulting statements on the session of the Canton Assembly on December 30 1998.

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