

# OHR BiH TV News Summary, 4 January 2000

## News Headlines

- According to unofficial results, SDP-HSLS Coalition winning in nine of ten electoral units
- Announcement for TV BiH show BH Issues, in which Ivica Racan will be interviewed
- EC does not want to comment on results of parliamentary elections in Croatia
- Izetbegovic comments on results of parliamentary elections in Croatia for Dnevni Avaz
- Results of Croatian parliamentary elections surprising – HDZ BiH
- HDZ defeat is consequence of HDZ foreign policy – SDA
- Victory represents new chapter in construction of democratic Croatia – SDP BiH Vice-president Grabovac
- Party for BiH believes opposition victory will produce democratic changes and improve relations between BiH and Croatia
- Croatia to enter Europe with victory of opposition – Plavsic
- Victory of opposition to ensure return of Serb refugees and DPs – Slavko Mitrovic, SNSD
- This change should improve relations between authorities as well as citizens in Croatia and BiH – BiH Liberals President Kadic
- NHI congratulates SDP-HSLS Coalition
- International news
- Yugoslavia presses charges against 12 [NATO](#) countries with The Hague
- First session of Kosovo Transitional Administration Council held in Pristina
- Brcko Refugee Association 'Povratak' expects

establishment of Brcko District Transitional Assembly and Government in 2000

- [SFOR](#) starts work on demilitarization of Brcko District
- Petritsch extends temporary suspension of municipal authority jurisdiction over allocation of state-owned land
- BiH Independent Syndicate requests cantonal and BiH Federation governments prevent inflation as result of rise in petrol product prices
- RS Privatization Agency to open office in Sarajevo
- Refugees and DPs can sign over power of attorney to branches of BiH Association of Refugees and DPs for registration in privatization process in RS – Komarica
- 4,000 candidates for local elections in question – [OSCE](#) Banja Luka
- List of candidates available for public to check whether candidates use someone else's property – [OSCE](#) spokesperson Becirovic
- Health condition of poisoned BiH Federation soldiers stabilizes in Mostar hospital
- Veterinary University in Sarajevo analyzes meat from can that poisoned child in Kakanj
- Report on difficult situation in Zenica-Doboj Canton health care and reasons why doctors are leaving country
- According to unofficial results, SDP-HSLS Coalition received 70 positions in Croatian Parliament, HDZ 41, Coalition Four 24, HSP and HKDU five and five for national minorities
- Announcement for TV BiH show BH Issues
- [OSCE](#) Chairman calls outcome of Croatian elections result of democratization process
- Plavsic hopes opposition arrival to power will lead Croatia toward Europe and create changes to allow return of Serb refugees

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## **According to unofficial results, SDP-HSLS Coalition winning in nine of ten electoral units**

According to unofficial results announced by the Croatian Election Commission at a press conference, the SDP-HSLS Coalition is ahead in nine of ten electoral units in Croatia. Although the public is still waiting for the final results of the Croatian parliamentary elections, the SDP-HSLS Coalition is considered to be the winner. The results of Diaspora voting are coming in late and, including BiH, makes up 90% of the voting public. These ballots have not been counted. President of the Croatian Social Democratic Party Ivica Racan stated that they are aware of the fact that these results are very good indicators, but they want to be little more careful in making conclusions. On the other hand, the HDZ is not hiding its disappointment and Mate Granic commented that the HDZ will now be a very strong opposition in coming times.

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## **Izetbegovic comments on results of parliamentary elections in Croatia for Dnevni Avaz**

Commenting on the results of the Croatian parliamentary elections in interview for Wednesday's issue of Dnevni Avaz, BiH Presidency Member Alija Izetbegovic stated that he justifiably expects an essential change of the Croatian policy towards BiH. Izetbegovic hopes that the arrival of the opposition will open a new era of relations between BiH and Croatia, with more mutual respect and true cooperation for the well being of both countries. The results of the Croatian elections will have a certain influence on the mood of the Croat nation by decreasing the HDZ BiH rating.

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## **HDZ defeat is consequence of HDZ foreign policy – SDA**

SDA Vice president Halid Genjac stated that the reasons for

the HDZ defeat are direct or indirect consequences of the wrong foreign policy led by the HDZ, especially towards BiH. He stated that he is convinced that this mistake will not be repeated by new Croatian Government and that they will change the policy towards BiH and respect the existence of BiH as a country.

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#### **4,000 candidates for local elections in question – [OSCE](#) Banja Luka**

An [OSCE](#) Banja Luka spokesperson stated at a press conference that 25,000 candidates have registered for the upcoming local elections and that the names of 4,000 candidates are being questioned, which means that their names will be rechecked.

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