## OHR BiH TV News Summary, 5 October 1999

#### **News Headlines**

- BiH House of Representatives holds session
- BiH House of Peoples and Representatives adopts law on soldiers' rights
- Pensioners announce demonstrations throughout BiH
  Federation on 9 October to demand pensions
- Swiss Government contributed to reconstruction of fourth aggregate in Jablanica hydropower-plant
- Russians continue attacks in Chechnya
- British KFOR troops remove Serb and Albanian barricades in Kosovo Polje
- World news
- Two trains collide in London
- Two buses collide in Egypt
- Another earthquake hits Turkey, more than one hundred injured
- Radisic meets with Una-Sana Canton delegation in Banja Luka
- IMC issues temporary license for BiH Federation TV
- Ferguson on HRT re-broadcast in BiH
- Klein delivers <u>UN</u> plan for professionalizing and unification of Ministry Central Bosnia Canton Interior Minister
- 'Soko' and 'Aluminij' Union address an open letter to BiH Presidency asking them to visit these companies in Mostar and to help them return to work
- SDP comments on abolishment of live broadcasting of Parliament sessions
- HNS to ask OHR to proclaim permanent election law valid if ruling parties do not agree on it
- International Business Forum holds fifth session

- World Teachers' Day denoted Tuesday
- Theater

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### BiH House of Representatives holds session

The BiH House of Representatives held a session on Tuesday where the Council of Ministers failed to deliver a report on their work. Due to this, the BiH House of Representatives asked for an initiative to revoke the Council of Ministers. Council of Ministers Co-chairman Svetozar Mihajlovic informed the House before the session that there is no report because the Council of Ministers had not met since 23 September. Representatives accepted the SDP suggestion to hold discussion on the issue of giving foreigners BiH citizenship. Four months ago, the SDP suggested a draft on the law on BiH holidays, according to which BiH would have four holidays, which caused discussion and a walk out by SDP delegates. President of the SDP delegates' club Sejfudin Tokic stated the "interruption of every opportunity to include SDP delegates initiatives into the agenda made us caused us to find no reason to remain and act in a Parliament that is obviously only prepared for blockades and obstructions."

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### IMC issues temporary license for BiH Federation TV

RTV BiH Federation received a license from the IMC for the experimental broadcast on RTV BiH's second channel. This decision is of a temporary character because this broadcaster will be regularly established and registered after which it should be issued another temporary license. This license will be considered valid until 1 January next year.

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## Ferguson on HRT re-broadcast in BiH

OHR spokesperson James Ferguson informed that the OHR and Croatian Communication Ministry are discussing the legal framework and conditions of re-broadcasting HRT. He stated that the OHR had suggested a compromise solution to the Croatian government and HRT and it has been expected that a memorandum of understanding on the HRT re-broadcast in the BiH Federation will be signed before the end of this week.

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# SDP comments on abolishment of live broadcasting of Parliament sessions

The SDP asserted that with the abolishment of live TV broadcasting of state and BiH Federation Parliament sessions, the inefficiency of the legislative authority is being hidden. If the RTV BiH audience are not able to watch live Parliamentary sessions, the SDP will initiate other measures like calling for the non-payment of subscriptions and the withdrawal of SDP delegates from the Parliaments.

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