OHR BiH TV News Summary, 7 November 2000

TV BiH News Headlines:

- Closest election in past 40 years begins in US; sharp battle between Gore and Bush
- This year's US presidential campaign longest, sharpest and most expensive in US history;
- Jadranko Lucic in custody after turning himself in to Sarajevo Canton Court; Kiseljak Police Head Bruno Zuljevic claims that his department did not receive any official notice regarding issuing of arrest warrant; UN spokesperson says arrest warrant had been issued earlier (02:25)
- Partnership between BiH Chamber of Commerce and BiH Federation Government can contribute to improvement of general economic situation – BiH Federation Prime Minister Bicakcic and his Deputy Covic after meeting representatives of BiH Federation Chambers of Commerce
- Report on two-day BiH Youth Conference in Sarajevo organised by OSCE; first time that BiH youth from all political parties and NGOs meet in one place (02:20)
- World news
- RS pensioners block Banja Luka's streets to protest six month's of unpaid pensions and outstanding healthcare issues
- Associations promoting refugee returns to Banja Luka initiate move to collect and invest privatisation vouchers in attempt to create sustainable return process and include Bosniaks and Croats in RS privatisation process
- Mostar City Administration will not allow electricity price increase in BiH Federation to follow payment of BiH Elektroprivreda's compensation fee, warns this was

OHR demand and requests audit of BiH Elektroprivreda's work

- BiH Independent Trade Union addresses sharp protest to BiH Elektroprivreda General Director following announced electricity price increase
- 18 candidates from both entities apply for Sarajevo Police Commissioner position – press conference of Sarajevo Independent Board for Appointment and Revision
- Sarajevo Mayor Hamamdzic organises reception for BiH sitting volleyball team
- Members of BiH Commission for Missing Persons begin work with exhumation of 13 new individual and mass graves in Sanski Most region
- Participation of active army officers in any political activity except voting is forbidden; meetings with political parties during election campaign threaten impartiality of the process – Barry's message to BiH Federation Army Commander Atif Dudakovic (00:21)
- EASC removes SPRS candidate in violation of PEC campaign finance rules in addition to sharply reprimanding NHI and Party for BiH; HDZ ordered to remove 'Determination or Extermination' posters before 18:00 on 8 November or face further sanctions – OSCE spokesperson Luke Zahner at press conference (02:20)
- Petritsch and Peace Implementation Council Steering Board call on BiH citizens to vote in leaders who will insist on economic reform, fight corruption at all levels and implement rule of law (00:16)

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- SDP ready to implement economic program if it receives voters' support; focus on reforms which will create jobs and strengthen state institutions – SDP Zenica Board at press conference (00:56)
- SDP wants BiH citizens to live with dignity; each vote important because SDP wants to be strongest party in

BiH; difference between us and them [ruling parties] is that fight against corruption is possible only on grounds for which we stand – SDP President Lagumdzija at rally in Srebrenik (01:33)

- Our political opponents wonder what we are offering voters while we ask them what voters will lose with them; SDA has thus far done right by Bosniaks and never betrayed their interests – SDA Zenica-Doboj Canton Board President Ismet Avdic at rally in Kakanj (01:06)
- After presentation of video on SDA results to date, including its significant role in war period, party leadership addresses participants at election rally in Hrasnica (00:52)
- If BiH Republic not re-established both BiH and Bosniak people will disappear; only republican institutions including 1991 and 1992 constitutional amendments can ensure survival of BiH, protection of its citizens as well as full economic development and integration into Europe – BPS public forum in Sarajevo (00:53)
- DNZ expresses dissatisfaction with Monday disruption of public forum in Bihac Army House; incident confirms that high ranking Muslim officers in BiH Federation Army compose extended hand of SDA regime and are carrying out their extremist and terrorist activities – DNZ Vice President Rifer Dolic at press conference in Bihac (00:58)
- Party for BiH sees root of their idea 'BiH Without Entities' in BiH Constitutional Court ruling on constituent status of all three BiH peoples throughout BiH – Party for BiH rally in Tuzla (00:57)
- LDS ends election campaign in Una-Sana Canton with rally in Sanski Most; party sees itself as breath of fresh air in this area and feels it is therefore realistic to expect electoral success (00:46)
- At rally in Visoko, LDS President Rasim Kadic calls on 44% of still undecided voters (mostly Bosniaks) to bravely choose LDS as party with enough patriotism,

knowledge and experience to protect BiH’s interests and lead country toward integration with rest of Europe (00:29)

- “We have been peaceful and respected the constitution during past ten years and only we have right to link GDS’s flag with BiH’s” – GDS President Ibrahim Spahic in final GDS press conference focusing on unemployed youth (00:50)
- DSP accuses BiH Federation Pensioners’ Party of non-transparent and illegal use of Civic Pensioners Union funds – DSP press conference in Tuzla (00:55)
- Sports
- Weather