

# OHR BiH TV News Summary, 8 June 1999

## News Headlines

- G8 adopts Kosovo resolution
- [NATO](#) targets Pancevo, Novi Sad, Belgrade suburbs and Batajnica
- Yugoslav Army hits villages on Albanian side of border once again
- Strikes will end when verifiers confirm complete withdrawal – Clinton
- Talbott travels to Moscow to discuss Russian participation in KFOR
- Participation of Russian troops is problem and will probably pose constant threat to returnees – Hasim Taci
- [NATO](#) delegations leaves negotiations for unknown reasons
- One person killed, five injured in [NATO](#) strikes
- Macedonia reinforces border police after one village hit on Monday
- BiH Government formulates 12 annexes to Special Relations Agreement, Croat side to see it in Zagreb on Friday, five remain for discussion
- BiH Government discussion on Tuesday shows inharmonious work of Croat and Bosniak representatives
- Constitutional Court evaluates agreement for customs cooperation between BiH Federation and Croatia unconstitutional
- Gelbard meets with Dodik and discusses donations and economy
- Silajdzic is self-loving politician attempting impossible task of revising Dayton – Dodik
- There are no more obstacles to extradite Vinko Martinovic to [ICTY](#) – Zagreb Cantonal District Attorney
- [SFOR](#) announcement regarding Kolundzija's arrest

- Izetbegovic interview to ONASA
- Mehmed Alagic appears at hearing of Sanski Most Municipal Court, defense demands removal of biased prosecutor Suad Sabic, IC delegates attend the hearing
- DM 1 million to support implementation of Sarajevo Declaration dispensed by Sarajevo Canton Government, further IC aid demanded
- OHR and [UNHCR](#) hold meeting on return of refugees in Mostar and surrounding cantons
- IPTF opens mobile returnee center in Samac to promote returns
- Round table promotes three way return to Livno
- New senior [OSCE](#) Deputy talks to media, he will coordinate mission activities, and represent OSCE
- Council of Ministers holds conference on Y2K in Sarajevo
- Izetbegovic fulfills obligation to present military budget while two other members of BiH Presidency have yet to offer such data – OSCE
- Westendorp would welcome release of three Srebrenica men, IC also welcomes release of Rade Popovic, worried over arrest – Haselock
- RS willing to help Yugoslavia and Montenegro – Dodik on talks with Montenegro PM
- [OSCE](#) concerned over increasing number of accusations by government and political rule against independent journalists and media in BiH
- Beslagic demands OHR investigate allegations of attacking freedom of media, of which BOSS President Mirnes Ajanovic accused him
- Privatization Agency announcement
- Affairs in Yugoslavia signify capitulation of Milosevic' policies – RS Independent Social Democrats Party
- Zenica Railway workers syndicate demands Westendorp proclaim work laws

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## **Silajdzic is self-loving politician attempting impossible task of revising Dayton – Dodik**

“For dialog in BiH there is no hierarchy but a need to sort out many things and I wanted to discuss claims that there was no aggression on BiH” commented RS Prime Minister Milorad Dodik when asked about his invitation to Co-president of the Council of Ministers, Haris Silajdzic, to a TV duel regarding his latest statements. Dodik claims to be able to prove there was no aggression. “Demands to revise the [Dayton Agreement](#), especially by Silajdzic, are rather outspoken. It is not possible and is not a subject that a large proportion of the international public will support.” Dodik concluded by evaluating Silajdzic as a self-loving politician.

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## **Izetbegovic interview to ONASA**

“The idea to revise the [Dayton Agreement](#) is attractive but unrealistic. Currently it is more useful to look at some articles from the Madrid Conference; the return of refugees, border police, and the transformation of the Council of Ministers. I would rather spend my energy on issues such as dual citizenship, illegal and humiliating voting by Bosnian Croats in Croatian elections for governing bodies, achieving agreement on assets, more favorable trade agreements, realizing donations from the third and fourth Donors’ Conference and quicker passport issuing for immigrants. In one word, more real issues. The best way to revise Dayton is to realize its good sides, unfortunately many existing only on paper. In the campaign against corruption we must distinguish between those fighting it and those fighting the rule that is trying to defeat it. First are concrete in their search for truth and the others give false and generalized data” said Member of the BiH Presidency Alija Izetbegovic for ONASA.

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