

# OHR BiH TV News Summary, 9 May 2000

## News Headlines

- Petritsch and Barry remind BiH Parliament of obligation to adopt election law
- BiH Presidency, BiH Federation President and Vice-president and Prlic meet with Vatican Foreign Minister Toran
- Bicakcic, Dodik and Klein sign agreement on voluntary work of police officers in both entities
- Kopaci refugees hold rally in front of [UNHCR](#) Gorazde and remind that return is still not ensured for 30 more Bosniaks living in two houses for past two months
- Report on intercollegiate cooperation between Brcko and Tuzla Economic Colleges
- BiH Federation Defense Ministry and RS Defense Ministry hold another meeting to discuss status of military apartments in both entities
- Dragicevic on implementation of recent Brussels conference
- Less and less means for return – [UNHCR](#)
- Roundtable on BiH joining European integration takes place in Sarajevo
- Celebrations of 9 May, victory over fascism, throughout BiH Federation
- Concert for Day of Europe to be performed at Sarajevo National Theater
- Yugoslav opposition abandons Pozarevac 15:00 rally, police question Canak and Isakov
- World news
- [NATO](#) ambassadors to decide on Croatia joining Partnership for Peace
- Japanese Government to donate \$4.7 million to BiH for

increasing of food production

- Jelavic meets with Adams to discuss Croatian financial assistance to Croat component of BiH Federation Army
- SDA reacts to Tokic statement on Ganic
- NHI creates new project for sovereignty of Croat people in BiH
- Social insurance building should be sold at auction for cash only – DSP
- BOSS appeals to municipal councils to return names of streets that bore Tito's name
- DNZ addresses greetings to Fighters of the Peoples Liberation Army soldiers on day of victory over fascism
- MBO addresses greetings to all citizens on day of victory over fascism
- SNSD considers Radisic nomination of Gligoric politically incorrect
- Fact that Gligoric is not elected Chairman shows that Radisic took trivial approach to election of Chairman – SNS
- Mostar Aluminij and German company Debis GMBH sign agreement valued at 80 million DM for reconstruction
- Inter-entity Contact Group agrees to establish joint BiH Red Cross Association
- BiH Federation Privatization Agency Administration Board holds press conference
- Una-Sana Cantonal Assembly holds session
- Rakovica residents protests over destruction of their environment through exploitation of land at three rock quarries
- Sports
- Weather
- General elections in BiH could be held in autumn at suggestion of Peace Implementation Council suggests and approval of [OSCE](#) Permanent Council
- Europe Day recognized at roundtable in Tuzla
- Jelavic meets with [IMF](#) delegation
- Jelavic meets with US Envoy Robert Beecroft for talks on

- problems in establishment of BiH Council of Ministers
- Day of victory over fascism marked throughout BiH
  - Association of Families of Fallen Soldiers establishes investment fund for privatization in Zenica
  - Association Women of Srebrenica demands exhumation process outside Srebrenica be resumed
  - Refugees living in camp Grab Potok, near Banovice, survive thanks to agriculture

## **News Summary**

### **Petritsch and Barry remind BiH Parliament of obligation to adopt election law**

High Representative [Wolfgang Petritsch](#) and Head of the [OSCE](#) Mission to BiH again reminded of the BiH Parliament's obligation to adopt an election law in order to enter the European Council. The possibility of holding general elections in the fall at the suggestion of the Peace Implementation Council and [OSCE](#) Permanent Council will not resolve this obligation. The election law remains the key test of the determination of our country to join Europe. The OHR and [OSCE](#), on clues of illegal profiteering of local authorities, remind municipal authorities that were not reelected that they are not authorized to bring decisions they failed to adopt during their mandate in order to make a profit. Deputy [OSCE](#) spokesperson Alexander Nitzsche stated that municipal officials must stay away from any illegal profiteering in the post election period.

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### **Dragicevic on implementation of recent Brussels conference**

Due to different speculations of the results of the latest donors' conference in Brussels, RS Refugee Minister Miladin Dragicevic stated in interview for TV BiH that they were pleasantly surprised with the results of the conference. According to Dragicevic, 94 million Euro were approved at this

conference of the Stability Pact Steering Board. Secretary of the BiH Federation Refugee Ministry Fadil Haveric stated that the Ministry and refugees share equal responsibility in the use of these funds in a more efficient manner. With this project, BiH is obliged to establish an administrative body that will be led by a state minister.

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### **SDA reacts to Tokic statement on Ganic**

The SDA recently reacted to a statement by SDP Main Board Vice-president Sejfidin Tokic, who said that the SDA leadership demonstrated its totalitarianism in the case of Ejup Ganic's resignation. An SDA statement reads that the SDP, by its own admittance, is the legal and political successor to the Communistic Alliance. The SDA emphasized that those parties that inherited the dark achievements of the one-party system should not preach democracy.

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