

OHR RTRS News Summary, 12 October 2000

News Headlines:

- Dodik on official visit to Zvornik, visits aluminum factory, opens 4km of local road and municipal building of Osmaci Municipality (02:15)
- Future of BiH and RS people lies in 11 November elections – Petritsch in interview for RT RS (02:00)
- RS Elektroprivreda power utility workers say they will continue to work regardless of changes in utility's top management
- Dismissal of RS Minister of Energy and Mining Vladimir Dokic is act of violence against RS constitutionality – DNS (00:23)
- Dokic dismissal is illegal and unconstitutional – SPRS (00:23)
- RS Energy Minister Dokic's dismissal damages RS – DPS President Predrag Radic (00:15)
- Dokic is 'extended arm' of Elektroprivreda power utility in financing election campaign of SPRS – Party for King and Fatherland President Dubravko Prstojevic (00:07)
- RS Government is entitled to dismiss its ministers as long as it does not exceed legal framework – SDP BiH (00:10)
- BiH House of Representatives wraps up session 25th session; Prlic says BiH is far from membership in Council of Europe (01:34)
- Clinton lifts air traffic and oil embargo on Yugoslavia
- Kostunica meets with Italian Prime Minister Giuliano Amato and Foreign Minister Lamberto Dini in Belgrade
- Bildt expected to arrive in Belgrade late on 12 October
- Will of Montenegrins will be respected if they want to leave Yugoslavia – Kostunica

- US supports election of Kostunica – US presidential advisor James O'Brien
- Kostunica meets with Bodo Hombach; Hombach says new Yugoslav Government could be established in three to four days
- Kostunica to depart for Montenegro on 13 October
- Serbian Government is in control of Serbian police – SRS Serbia President Vojislav Seselj
- Personnel changes carried out in SPS, Gorica Gajevic resigns; SPS holds session to discuss future political activities in Serbia
- Reconstruction of Yugoslav Parliament building starts in Belgrade
- Extradition of Milosevic to [ICTY](#) is not priority – Kostunica
- Milosevic can be tried in Serbia – [ICTY](#) representative Raymond
- EC President Romano Prodi promises significant assistance to Yugoslavia – Serbian Orthodox Church
- Kostunica must be helped in reconstructing country – Ivanov and Papandreou
- Kostunica must be fully supported – Russian official Rogozyn
- Croatia is ready to normalize relations with Yugoslavia – Racan
- Mesic says DOS messages he heard on Croatian state television are acceptable to Croatia
- Slovenia is interested in economic cooperation with Yugoslavia
- Republika Srpska no longer exists because it is unconstitutional – Silajdzic (00:55)
- RS and BiH Federation police cut crude oil smuggling chain in Srpski Brod Oil Refinery – RS police
- Petritsch dismisses three members of BiH De-mining Commission for occupying refugee property (00:50)
- PEC defines eight candidates as ineligible for participation in November elections (00:32)

- [UN](#) and [OSCE](#) condemn Tuesday's attack on Glas Srpski Deputy Editor-in-Chief Anton Kasipovic (00:57)
- Brcko District Mayor Sinisa Kistic and Education Minister Hasja Zejnilovic not informed of 11 October incident in District's Technical High School when Serb pupils smashed 13 BiH coats-of-arms and Bosniak pupils burned Serb flag – SRNA (00:43)
- No general strikes will be held in RS during election campaign – RS Confederation of Syndicates President Cedo Volas (00:27)
- Vukosavlje police apprehend 25 Turkish nationals who attempted to cross border into Croatia illegally
- World news
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Republika Srpska no longer exists because it is unconstitutional – Silajdzic

00:55 According to the BiH Federation media, Party for BiH President Haris Silajdzic stated the RS does not exist following the recent BiH Constitutional Court ruling on the constituents of the three BiH people throughout BiH. Silajdzic added the existence of the RS in itself is anti-constitutional. That is why, Silajdzic says, when using the term 'Republika Srpska', he refers to it as the former Republika Srpska. Speaking on whether it is possible to speak in favor of a BiH without entities when RS Prime Minister Milorad Dodik enjoys IC support, which automatically strengthens the Serb entity, Silajdzic said it is incomprehensible that Dodik still receives support in everything he does. He added that Dodik promised the return of 70,000 people, but only 67 families have returned to Banja Luka by the end of May this year. Commenting on the current political situation in Yugoslavia, Silajdzic said it might end up entering the Council of Europe before BiH and voting for

BiH's admission to the Council of Europe.