

# OHR RTRS News Summary, 14 June 2000

## News Headlines

- RS Supreme Defense Council holds session
- Deputy High Representative Ralph Johnson holds press conference to discuss results of his visit to Banja Luka
- SNS will file appeal on Banja Luka Municipal Court ruling disallowing registration of Dragan Kostic as SNS President – SNS member and RS National Assembly Deputy Speaker Jovan Mitrovic
- SDS accuses Sloga Coalition of being responsible for past two-year crisis in RS
- Who is it that applauds non-functioning of RS National Assembly? – SPRS
- Djokic should resign as RS National Assembly Speaker – DSP President Nebojsa Radmanovic
- SPRS Banja Luka City Board requests DSP members Nebojsa Radmanovic and Slobodan Gavranovic to return their mandates to the SPRS because they were SPRS members before the BiH local elections
- RS healthcare workers give up on strike because Dodik promised to meet their demands (resolve their problems)
- BiH Foreign Minister Jadranko Prlic to visit Slovakia
- BiH needs change of political scenery, not of Dayton Peace Agreement – Barry
- [UN](#) will complete part of its mission regarding training of 20,000 police officers by 2002 – [UN](#) Special Representative to BiH Klein
- Situation in BiH civil aviation is poor – Asanin and BiH Civil Aviation delegation conclude during their meeting
- [IMF](#) starts audit of financial institutions in RS
- 100 Bosniak families visit Prijedor Old Town – [UN](#) spokesman Alun Roberts

- Three RS Refugee Ministry officials suspended for taking bribes and obstructing property law implementation – RS Refugee Minister Miladin Dragicevic
- RS Army destroys heavy weapons in Kozara Barracks as part of agreement on arms reduction
- Asanin meets with [ICRC](#) delegation to discuss establishment of BiH National Red Cross
- DNZ announces that Fikret Abdic will replace Izetbegovic in BiH Presidency
- Security situation in Kosovo more stable now than it was last week – BETA
- US Administration ready to support aid projects for Kosovo Serbs – Serbian Bishop Artemije
- Kosovo Albanians protest in Pristina and Prizren against Kouchner decision forbidding visit of Albanian Democratic Party leader Sali Berisa to Kosovo
- [ICTY](#) uncovered 440 mass graves in Kosovo this year – [ICTY](#) spokesman Paul Risley
- Montenegrin Serb National Party Vice-president Zoran Zizic accuses Montenegrin authorities of blackmailing state officials into voting for Milo Djukanovic's 'For a Better Life' Coalition
- Croatia and [EU](#) successfully complete round of negotiations on Croatian admittance to EU
- World news
- Sports
- Weather
- BiH Presidency expects to hold session on 15 June to discuss BiH Civil Aviation, BiH PBS transformation and other issues
- Banja Luka and Sarajevo Canton Chambers of Commerce meet to discuss improvements to economic system
- Orasje Municipality allots 145 construction parcels to refugees and DPs from Sarajevo and Posavina
- Rudo school children depart for Rimini, Italy, to spend their summer vacations there at the invitation of the Italian Government

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### **DNZ announces that Fikret Abdic will replace Izetbegovic in BiH Presidency**

The Democratic National Union (DNZ) announced that its founder Fikret Abdic would be nominated to replace Alija Izetbegovic as the Bosniak member in the BiH Presidency. The DNZ believes that the political circumstances surrounding Alija Izetbegovic's announcement to retire were a very strange coincidence because, on the very same day the announcement was made, Spasoje Tusevljak was appointed as the new Chairman of the BiH Council of Ministers.

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