

OHR RTRS News Summary, 14 November 2000

RT RS News Headlines:

- RS pensioners to receive first part of May pensions on 16 November
- SDS presidential candidates win 49.1% of the vote, SNSD 30.1%, PDP 9.9%; in race for RS National Assembly SDS wins 37.5%, SNSD 16.2%, PDP 13.2%; in race for BiH House of Representatives SDS wins 41.7%, PDP 16.8%, SNSD-DSP 13%; in BiH House of Representatives for delegates from BiH Federation SDP BiH wins 26.6%, SDA 24.9%, HDZ 23.1%, Party for BiH 15.3%; in race for BiH Federation Parliament SDP BiH wins 25.9%, SDA 25.1%, HDZ 19.5%, Party for BiH 14.8%; in Srebrenica municipal elections SDS 37.5%, SDA 12.4%, SNSD 10.7%; OSCE says final election results will be announced after 18 November – OSCE preliminary results
- SDS says new authorities must be constituted after announcement of final election results for RS National Assembly and RS presidential race
- Race for RS president still not over – Biljana Plavsic
- “We thought there would have been moderate and objective change in people’s opinion after ten years of crisis” – SNSD General Secretary Slavko Mitrovic
- IC announces punitive measures will be taken against politicians who obstruct Dayton peace agreement implementation
- IC representatives would have liked more BiH citizens to vote for change but in democracies there are no revolutions – Petritsch
- US ambassador to BiH Thomas Miller refuses to comment on preliminary election results because they change on daily basis

- It is time to apply much stricter measures and sanctions to nationalist parties that block refugee return – ICG Director James Lyon
- IC entered BiH elections unprepared and did not assess entire situation well enough so that elections looked more like population census – Stipe Mesic
- If Kosovo Albanians receive right to referendum, authorities in RS will demand the same – Sarovic tells Russian daily Vremja
- Stability Pact for SE Europe Conference “Consultative Forum with Yugoslav Authorities” concludes in Belgrade on Tuesday; participants express readiness to assist Yugoslavia with aid amounting to 500 million Euro
- Croatian war veterans say they will hold large-scale protest on day of Stability Pact Summit in Zagreb, scheduled for 24 November, due to visit of Yugoslav President Kostunica; protest will be called “For European Croatia – Against the Balkan Butcher”
- World news
- OHR, OSCE and UN condemn behaviour of interim beneficiaries of refugee property who destroy and rob property before they leave it – OHR’s Milisic
- RS Justice Minister Cedo Vrzina says High Representative Petritsch violated Dayton peace agreement and BiH Constitution by imposing Law on BiH State Court; he also says RS Justice Ministry has informed Petritsch it cannot accept this law
- RS Confederation of Syndicates addresses letter to Petritsch expressing astonishment at his decision to reduce workers rights
- European Commission welcomes Petritsch’s imposition of laws for BiH economic development
- RS Syndicate for Healthcare says it will continue general strike on 25 November; syndicate had moratorium on general strike during election period in BiH
- Payment Operations Bureau (SPP) in RS will be abolished by end of this year – SPP Steering Board

- Zepter Invest Fund Director Milenko Vracar says it is secret where Fund will invest the 5,692,658 in vouchers it has collected
- Sports and weather