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News Headlines

- BiH delegation meets with Slovenian Prime Minister
 Drnovsek to discuss political and economic cooperation
- BiH delegation meets with Slovenian President Milan Kucan
- Radisic meets with Serb Association of Slovenia in Ljubljana
- Delegation of BiH Foreign Ministry and BiH Foreign Minister Prlic on official visit in Russia
- RS Minister for War Veterans, Victims and Labor Gligoric and RS Defense Minister Milovanovic meet with acting Director of World Bank in BiH Elaine Paterson to discuss employment of war veterans, war invalids and family members of fallen soldiers
- European Council Parliamentary delegation meets with OHR and BiH Parliamentary Envoy Branko Dokic to discuss BiH participation in European Council
- RS Government delegation concludes visit to German,
 Swiss and Austrian cities
- Two children dead and one injured in Prizren KFOR
- Norwegian KFOR soldier injured KFOR
- KFOR finds two bodies in Kijev KFOR
- Two fires in Pristina KFOR spokesperson Major Lavoa
- Calm situation in Kosovska Mitrovica Lavoa
- First group of Kosovo Protection Force soldiers to be trained in France
- IC supports multiethnic Kosovo Bildt
- Kosovo is in transition to civil society Rugova
- New <u>SFOR</u> Commander is US General Ronald Adams
- SFOR to continue to support implementation of <u>Dayton</u> <u>Agreement</u> in cooperation with OHR and <u>UNHCR</u> — Adams

- Tudjman requests third entity in BiH
- Coffman comments Tudjman request
- Croats of Zenica-Doboj Canton request Jelavic take measures to protect their rights
- Tuzla Municipal Court to bring charges against former members of Tuzla Cantonal Government for financial inconsistencies
- Maglaj police to bring charges against four drug smugglers
- Swiss Foreign Minister opens first roundtable of Stability Pact with topic of democratization and human rights in Southeast Europe
- World news
- Culture
- Weather
- BiH will not have official relations with Yugoslavia while Milosevic is President – Izetbegovic
- BiH Civil Affairs and Communications Minister Marko Asanin meets with Austrian Union of National Health Service delegation to discuss social and health security of citizens
- BiH is united state with two entities and three constitutive nations — Ferguson
- Tudjman demand leads to revision of <u>Dayton Agreement</u> –
 BiH House of Peoples Chairman Mirko Banjac
- BiH Constitutional Court President Hasan Begic says
 Tudjman signed <u>Dayton Agreement</u> and should respect it
- As signatory of <u>Dayton Agreement</u>, Tudjman may not be one of its obstructers – Plavsic
- Tudjman demand is not news, but his ten-year policy Lagumdzija
- Currency reserves of BiH are 500 million KM Nicholl
- Yugoslavia prints four billion Yugoslav Dinars for reconstruction of Yugoslavia — Seselj
- KFOR arrests three Serbs near Gniljane for posetion of weapons
- Kosovo Serb envoys and Church National Board prepare

suggestion for five Serb cantons in Kosovo and send it to UN Mission to Kosovo and KFOR

- <u>UN</u> Mission to Kosovo to bring charges against several mission workers because of their involvement in trade of houses
- Kosovo Albanian protest not successful in Kosovska
 Mitrovica Serb National Council
- 150 pupils from Prizren school to be displaced to Srimski Karlovski, Serbinje and Nis for continued education

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Tudjman requests third entity in BiH

Croatian President Franjo Tudjman held a press conference in Zagreb and requested the formation of a Croat entity in BiH. Tudjman also requested equal rights for all three nations in BiH. He said that BiH can only exist as a state divided into three communities.

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Coffman comments on Tudjman request

<u>UN</u> Mission to BiH spokesperson Douglas Coffman commented on Tudjman's request for a third entity. "Every invitation to form a third entity is irrelevant and unsupported by the <u>Dayton Agreement</u>" said Coffman. "The Mandate of the <u>UN</u> Mission to BiH was to assist implementation of the <u>Dayton Agreement</u>, and the <u>Dayton Agreement</u> foresees two entities and three constitutive nations in the BiH."

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