OHR RTRS News Summary, 19 May 2000

News Headlines

- PEC sets general elections for 11 November
- Svetozar Mihajlovic remains Sloga candidate for Council of Ministers Chairman – Dodik
- 5,000 people gather in Belgrade, protest will end at 20:00 for security reasons
- Representatives of IC and western media meet with representatives of independent media from Serbia
- Serbia is in information dark, as is Kosovo, because Serbs have no media – Bishop Artemije
- <u>NATO</u> General Secretary Robertson condemns Milosevic for taking over independent media in Serbia
- BiH, RS, Croatia and IC representatives discuss refugee and DP issues at meeting in Banja Luka
- US Ambassador to BiH Miller visits Trebinje and Srbinje
- Prlic heads BiH delegation at conference on security of Adriatic and Ion Seas
- Dutch Ambassador to BiH Reih meets with Border Service representatives to discusses work of Border Service and Dutch support
- RS Organization of Captured Soldiers and Missing Persons requests RS Government support work of Commission for Missing Persons
- Petritsch sets new area code for Brcko District, 049
- Brcko District Major Kisic thanks Farrand for all he has done for citizens of Brcko District
- Brcko District Assembly President Djapo says he does not expect changes when new international supervisor takes office
- Albright meets with SDP President Lagumdzija in Washington

- Sarajevo Canton Privatization Agency overturns privatization of Marsal hotel
- Representatives of IC in Mostar indicate slow return in areas where HDZ is ruling party
- Clinton says US intends to implement its mission in Kosovo
- One killed in Lipljane and one Albanian kidnapped
- Health condition of Serb prisoners in Kosovska Mitrovica, who have been on hunger strike for 39 days, is worrying – TANJUG
- <u>OSCE</u> Mission to BiH says there are no irregularities in census in Kosovo
- Krajisnik's attorney Goran Neskovic says Krajisnik trial will start in one year
- Dead bodies found near Gospic are victims of Croatian offensive in Medacki Dzep – Jutarnji List
- <u>ICTY</u> spokesperson Lansdale says <u>ICTY</u> has good cooperation with all former Yugoslav republics except Serbia
- World news
- Sports and weather
- 62 houses reconstructed for Croat returnees to Simici village, near Banja Luka
- Third protest rally in Belgrade lasts one hour and ends without violence
- Serb representatives will remain in Kosovo joint institutions if Serbs receive security guaranties
- Kosovo Central Election Commission approves formation of Municipal Election Commission – <u>OSCE</u> Mission to BiH
- SPRS Vice-president Ilic says Dodik and Plavsic are responsible for difficult political situation in RS
- Delegation of Slovenian Governemnt meets with RS and BiH Federation authorities
- World news
- Kuguars Teatar from Belgrade participates in Theater Fest in Banja Luka
- Weather

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Representatives of IC in Mostar indicate slow return in areas where HDZ is ruling party

IC representatives in Mostar indicated low return statistics in those towns of HN Canton where the HDZ BiH is the ruling party, Sarajevo media reports. The <u>OSCE</u> stated that, in West Mostar, Capljina, Stolac and Prozor, only 7% of the 13,500 claims submitted for property return have been realized.

In West Mostar, where the Croat administration is functioning, 6,300 claims have been filed and only 2% have been sent to procedure. "These omissions come from the policy of obstruction conducted by HDZ BiH leaders" stated OHR spokesperson Avis Benes.

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