

OHR RTRS News Summary, 21 December 1999

News Headlines

- RS Government holds session in Banja Luka
- RS Government confirms list of strategic firms in RS for special program of privatization
- Djokic schedules ninth session of RS National Assembly for 27 December
- Radisic comments on Galic arrest
- Djokic comments on Galic arrest
- SDS requests that [ICTY](#) allow RS doctors to examine Galic after his arrest
- SNS and SNSD comment on Galic arrest
- Democratic Patriotic Party comments on Galic arrest
- Serb Party of RS comments on Galic arrest
- Galic's health is good – [SFOR](#) spokesperson Giels
- World news
- Storms in RS and current situation in supplying electric energy, water and phone lines
- Problem with traffic on RS roads
- Problem with traffic in BiH Federation
- European Council and OHR organize seminar on corruption and organized crime on 16 and 17 December
- OHR and [OSCE](#) worried over list of HDZ Diaspora candidates for Croatian elections
- [UN](#) spokesperson Coffman comments on problems with establishing democratic institutions in cantons 2, 7, 8, 9 and 10 in BiH Federation
- RS pensioners to receive October pension by 31 December – SNS Vice-president Kondic
- SNSD to have lists for local elections in 53 cities in RS and 20 cities in BiH Federation – SNSD envoy Bakic
- [SFOR](#) denies HIS claims

- 120 houses reconstructed with help of [UNHCR](#) in Herzegovina Canton
- Croat envoys in BiH Federation Government dissatisfied with their position
- US Government informs BiH Federation Government to stop aid to privatization program in BiH Federation
- [World Bank](#) comments on problems with privatization process in BiH Federation
- SDP BiH Vice-president Tokic comments on problems with privatization process in BiH Federation
- Counterfeit money in Posavina Canton – Posavina Cantonal Interior Ministry
- National Assembly of Serbia adopts budget for 2000
- Yugoslav Peoples Bank has problem with currency control in Montenegro
- Transitional Kosovo Administrative Council holds first session
- Russian Foreign Ministry criticizes UNMIK for forming Transitional Kosovo Administrative Council too soon
- Elderly woman killed in Djakovica – KFOR
- Two Kosovo Albanians attack Serb civilian
- Since KFOR arrival to Kosovo, KFOR has arrested 950 persons and found 250 pieces of weaponry – KFOR
- IC does not work much on stabilization of situation in Kosovo – Russian Defense Minister Sergey
- World news
- Slovenian Government supports forming of RS Exchange
- RS Syndicate holds seminar
- Police from Serbia confiscate 1,000 old and new copies of Reporter magazine in several cities in Serbia – Reporter Director Vucinic
- Sports and weather
- SDP BiH President Lagumdzija supports arrest of General Galic and says [SFOR](#) is factor of stability
- Cohen visit to BiH postponed because weather in BiH
- [OSCE](#) spokesperson Pierce McCorley announces last chance for submitting candidate lists as 22 December at 17:00

- Syndicate of Prijedor firm Celpak ends strike
- Kosovo Serb National Council members refuse to participate in Transitional Administrative Council
- [ICTY](#) to bring charges against KLA members – Del Ponte interview to French newspaper Monde
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Radisic comments on Galic arrest

BiH Presidency Member Zivko Radisic reacted to the arrest of General Stanislav Galic. Radisic stated that the arrest of General Galic is one more biased procedure against the RS, citizens of the RS and the RS Army. The impression is that the behavior of the IC and [SFOR](#) are one-sided at a time when the RS is intensively working on regulation of relations with the [ICTY](#), added Radisic.

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Djokic comments on Galic arrest

The office of RS National Assembly Speaker Petar Djokic issued a press release regarding the arrest of General Galic. "We are surprised because, at a time of sincere attempts at and pleading for the protection of the legal institutions in the RS, our efforts are thwarted. This is not helpful to democratic prosperity or the development of the RS. This arrest should be seen as a serious message that all problems should be resolved with a great degree of responsibility and consciousness."

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SNS and SNSD comment on Galic arrest

"The SNS pointedly condemns the arrest of Galic" stated Vice-president of the SNS Dragan Veselinovic. Veselinovic considers

the arrest to be a harsh attack on the RS Government, which is trying to find a formula for better cooperation with the [ICTY](#). The SNSD does not support the principle of secret indictments of the [ICTY](#). A member of the SNSD Regional Board stated that the Galic arrest was an impartial act.

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