OHR RTRS News Summary, 22 June 2000

News Headlines

- BiH House of Representatives adopts Tusevljak's proposal on structure of new BiH Council of Ministers
- RS National Assembly adopts Law on Financing RS Political Parties from RS Municipal Budgets
- RS National Assembly delegates adopt draft law on amendments and supplements to RS Law on Citizenship, as well as RS Criminal Code
- RS Government dissatisfied with work of RS Syndicate's Solidarity Fund
- RS Syndicate and RS Chamber of Commerce to meet in Banja Luka on Friday to discuss Solidarity Fund's future in RS privatization
- Very difficult situation in textile and leather industries in RS – Association of Textile and Leather Industries
- RTRS signs agreement with RS electric power utility on payment of TV subscription through power bill
- <u>OSCE</u> holds press conference in Sarajevo. spokesperson Tanya Domi discusses compensatory mandates
- Petritsch met with European Parliament delegation in Sarajevo on Wednesday
- BiH is on bottom of list of countries for investment Clinton's Special Envoy for Economic Issues Richard Sclar
- RS war veteran organizations reject statement of RS Education Minister Suzic, and they request Suzic to apologize to RS war veterans for insinuating that they did not formally react when explosive device destroyed Suzic's car several days ago
- SRS to insist on RS National Assembly's adoption of

conclusion to halt evictions of those refugees and DPs without alternative accommodation – Leader of SRS Caucus in RS National Assembly Milan Lazic

- Remainder of Sloga Coalition (SNS, SNSD, DSP) responsible for difficult economic situation in RS – SPRS General Secretary Tihomir Gligoric
- Banja Luka Municipal Court accepts registration of newly-formed Democratic National Union (DNS), which was founded by ex-SNS members and Dragan Kostic
- Brcko District residents to continue to pay their bills for electric energy, healthcare and pension security to entity funds, either RS or BiH Federation, until new law enacted to regulate payment to Brcko District
- <u>SFOR</u> holds press conference in Sarajevo to discuss transparency of entity military budgets
- Since May, 21 threats against journalists in BiH have been reported to <u>OSCE</u> FreeMedia Help-Line, 12 in BiH Federation and nine in RS – <u>OSCE</u> spokesperson Tanya Domi
- BiH Border Service Director meets with expert group of German Border Service in Serb Sarajevo to discuss mutual cooperation
- <u>UNHCR</u> and <u>OSCE</u> on human rights situation in Kosovo, they discuss most recent incidents and assess the overall situation as poor
- Six mortar shells fall on Decani Monastery, Kosovo KFOR
- Two Kosovo Serbs and several IC police officers injured during conflict in western Kosovska Mitrovica – KFOR
- Montenegrin Government requests support of <u>UN</u> Security Council for its reform polices, as well as according Montenegrin Mission to <u>UN</u> same status as Yugoslav Mission there
- Ivan and Milan Lovric, suspects in Draskovic assassination attempt in Budva, remanded to custody
- Serbian Deputy Premier Sainovic condemns attack on Draskovic
- Croatia commemorates Day of Anti-Fascism

- World news
- Sports and weather
- RS National Assembly discusses conclusions of Assembly's Commission for Constitutional Issues concerning legality and legitimacy of incumbent RS Government
- Two-day BiH Financial Forum on Economic Trends in 2000 starts in Sarajevo
- <u>UNHCR</u> issues instructions for return of refugees from BiH to Croatia – <u>UNHCR</u> spokesperson Smith
- Srbinje Hospital workers say they could organize strike on 3 July
- <u>SFOR</u> does not have aerial footage of murder of Ljubisa Savic 'Mauzer' in Bijeljina on 7 June – <u>SFOR</u> General Robert Halverson
- Montenegrin President Djukanovic meets with Carla Del Ponte
- <u>NATO</u> Secretary-General George Robertson addresses US Senate on situation in Kosovo
- Kosovo Serb delegation requests that Orthodox Serbian Patriarch Pavle reinstates religious status of Gracanica Monastery
- World news
- Three companies from Srpsko Sarajevo on the privatization auction block
- Border crossing Trebinje-Herceg Novi closed to traffic
- Bridge near Doboj will be closed for reconstruction from
 23 June to 2 July <u>SFOR</u>
- Sports and weather

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