OHR RTRS News Summary, 23 December 1999

News Headlines

- Radisic and Jelavic agree with decision of BiH Constitutional Court on function of Chairman of BiH Ministers Council
- Serb Patriarch Pavle sends Christmas greetings to Pope
- Radisic sends Christmas greetings to catholic congregation and IC organizations in BiH
- Djokic sends Christmas greetings
- Jelavic sends Christmas greetings to Vrhbosanski Archbishop Vinko Puljic
- Asanin sends Christmas greetings
- RS National Assembly Legislative Commission supports suggested law for 2000 budget
- RS Government should draft economic and social program for 2000 — RS Trade Chamber
- SPRS concludes all preparations for local elections –
 SPRS Vice-president Nebojsa Radmanovic
- SRS press conference
- Deadline for submitting candidate lists for local election ended at 17:00 on Wednesday — Domi
- OHR does everything to ensure voting for Croatian elections in BiH passes well Ferguson
- General Galic addresses <u>ICTY</u> on 27 December <u>UN</u> spokesperson Coffman
- Struggle against corruption in BiH OHR Department for Struggle Against Corruption Head Franz Bruner
- BiH Federation Government on cooperation with Croatia
- Croatian Interior Ministry denies Mehmed Zilic statement that Croatian Interior Minister Penic accepted Croatian Court decision to extradite Abdic to BiH
- •SDA rejects HDZ proposal for restructuring BiH

Federation Government - SDA spokesperson Jahic

- Croat ministries in BiH Federation Government should protect their interests — HDZ spokesperson Zoran Tomic
- European Commission and CESVI Italian humanitarian organization to assist distribution of electricity in Drvar Municipality
- Schools in Sarajevo Canton will continue on 24 December
- Roundtable of Serbian opposition parties in Belgrade
- Russian Defense Minister Sergeyev meets with Milosevic and Yugoslav Defense Minister Pavle Bulatovic in Belgrade
- One Kosovo Albanian killed and one injured in Lipljan –
 KFOR
- Three unknown persons try to kidnap civilian in Pristina
 KFOR
- KFOR envoy for northern Kosovo denies some Kosovo Albanian media claims that Serb paramilitary troops are in northern Kosovo
- New temporary director of Kosovska Mitrovica hospital –
 UN Mission to Kosovo
- Yugoslavia sends appeal to <u>UN</u> Security Council to protect Serb cultural monuments in Kosovo
- Conference of European Churches condemns destruction of Serb churches and monasteries in Kosovo
- RS Interior Ministry warns citizens against use of weapons and explosives over holiday season
- New <u>SFOR</u> Campaign on safety tips for winter driving in BiH
- Sports and weather
- Radisic holds press conference in Sarajevo and comments on work of BiH Presidency in 1999
- <u>SFOR</u> gives \$3 million for road cleaning over winter season in BiH
- Sarajevo Canton Finance Minister to become Deputy Governor of BiH Central Bank
- Milosevic gives several medals to Russian officers
- World news

- Culture in RS
- Sports and weather

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SRS press conference

The SRS held a press conference in Banja Luka on Thursday, when party General Secretary Ognjen Tadic stated that the SRS supports the organization established by Banja Luka citizens for obstructing the inhumane eviction of refugees during the winter season. "The SRS believes that citizens of the RS cannot allow the realization of any article in the New York Declaration, because the document shatters the statehood of the RS as established by the <u>Dayton Agreement</u>" concluded Tadic.

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