OHR RTRS News Summary, 24 August 2000

News Headlines:

- RS National Assembly holds sixth special session on Government economic measures
- Budget for first six months of 2000 and budget rebalance for remainder of 2000 first item on agenda
- BiH Council of Ministers meets in Sarajevo to discuss BiH Border Service decision on additional insurance fees for Yugoslav vehicles
- Yugoslav Government to consider BiH decision on suspension of insurance fees for Yugoslav vehicles, undertake appropriate measures – Government Vice-President Nikola Sainovic
- RS pensioners receive second part of June pensions
- Pensioners continue protests in front of RS Government seat
- Sarovic and Schwartz-Shilling discuss refugee return,
 BiH admission to European integration processes
- 16 Serb families visit devastated homes 40 km west of Trebinje
- Prijedor authorities cannot guarantee safety for newlybuilt mosque in Kozarusa because it does not have either license for construction or use – Prijedor Municipality Head Nada Sevo
- Bosniak owners return to 21 houses in Serb Gorazde SRNA
- RS Refugee and DP Ministry doing its best to solve refugee problems – RS Podrinje Refugee and DP Department in reaction to Dragicevic resignation
- OHR expects RS Government to appoint new Refugee and DP Minister as soon as possible – OHR spokesman Oleg Milisic

- 11 police officers want to return to RS, 23 to BiH
 Federation UN spokesman Douglas Coffman
- BiH Constitutional Court President Kasim Begic holds press conference on harmonisation of entity constitutions with BiH Constitution
- Fire destroys 100 hectares of forest land on Mount Ozren
- Two fires put out, two brought under control in Skelani
- Fires in Kupres, Sokolac put out
- Fire on Mount Leotar not threatening Trebinje settlements
- Fire burning in Cesma, Banja Luka, being put out by RS Army and fire brigades
- Fire in Prijedor's Celpak paper plant put out
- Banja Luka Vrbas Wood Industry on standby due to frequent fires
- State of emergency declared in Kalesija, Lukavac, Gradacac due to fires
- Major fire burning in Konjic Municipality
- SPO goes to polls, SPO first candidate for House of Citizens and House of Republics is Vuk Draskovic
- No candidate lists submitted to Montenegrin Election Commission – BETA
- Two UAE soldiers injured in Kosovo in revenge attack for recent killing of two Albanians – KFOR
- World news
- Qualification examination in mathematics held in RS high schools
- Sports
- Weather