

# OHR RTRS News Summary, 24 October 1999

## News Headlines

- Kopanja condition still critical but slightly improved
- Dodik visits Kopanja in hospital
- RS Association of Independent Journalists makes demand in Kopanja case
- KFOR seizes arms cache in Djakovica
- Nine persons arrested in Prizren
- Two Kosovo Albanians arrested in Orahovac
- Kosovo Serb National Council formative meeting held in Gracanica, Kosovo
- Serbian Bishop Artemije named President of Kosovo
- Serb National Council Serb Protection Corps will be similar to Kosovo counterpart – Kosovska Mitrovica Church Council
- Kosovska Mitrovica Church Council member Jakovljevic discusses Kosovo cantonization issue
- Gnjilane Church Council comments on explosions in Kmetovci, Kosovo
- French military police transfer duties to [UN](#) Civilian Police Mission in Kosovo
- Kosovo Albanians hold protest meeting in Orahovac
- 3,000 Kosovo Roma start hunger strike in Stenkovac refugee camp, Macedonia
- [SFOR](#) seizes illegal arms cache in Drvar
- Croats not satisfied by current position in BiH and [Dayton Agreement](#) implementation – Jelavic
- Sarajevo press reports on pilot training in BiH Federation
- Bicakcic on his presence at workers' protest in Sarajevo on Monday
- World news

- Refugees and displaced persons from Western Krajina request Petritsch to stop construction of military base in Glamoc
- Situation in RS poultry sector
- Return of Serbs to Drvar prevented by of poor living conditions – Momcilo
- Pajic
- Culture
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### **RS Association of Independent Journalists makes demand in Kopanja case**

The RS Association of Independent Journalists requested the RS Interior Ministry and other competent institutions to make public information on their investigative activities and arrests made in the Kopanja case by 25 October at 13:00. The RS Association of Independent Journalists also requested the RS Interior Ministry to tell the public why it did not protect Kopanja after he received death threats. The Association further requested the Interior Ministry to inform it of steps it has taken to protect journalists and increase security in the RS. The RS Association of Independent Journalists asked the IC and international organizations to protect freedom of information in the RS.

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### **[SFOR](#) seizes illegal arms cache in Drvar**

IPTF spokesperson Alun Roberts held a press conference in Livno. Roberts stated that [SFOR](#) had confiscated illegal weapons and equipment in Drvar and in that way averted a dangerous violation to the implementation of the [Dayton Agreement](#) and security situation in Drvar. Roberts added that [SFOR](#) in that manner stopped all attempts at anti-Dayton activities.

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