## OHR RTRS News Summary, 24 October 2000

RT RS News Headlines:

- RS National Assembly 14th session begins in Banja Luka; delegates adopt Law on Labour and Law on Employment but do not adopt Law on Labour Inspection
- Principal Deputy High Representative Ralph Johnston meets separately with Dodik and RS Defence Minister Manojlo Milovanovic; Johnston makes tour of PIK Mladen Stojanovic Company in Nova Topola near Banja Luka
- Johnston expects establishment of diplomatic relation between Yugoslavia and BiH soon; he says elimination of BiH entities is neither policy of IC nor OHR
- RS Defence Ministry issues press release on meeting between Johnston and Milovanovic; they discussed reconstruction of military forces in RS and BiH
- Dodik announces he will visit Belgrade soon; he says is he proud of fact Milosevic banned his entry into Yugoslavia during his regime
- 90% of RS schools continuing general strike
- RS Confederation of Syndicates President Cedo Volas supports striking schools in RS
- RS Health Syndicate announces general strike if healthcare workers do not receive salaries by 1 November
- Kasin Do hospital in Sarajevo goes on strike
- OHR and Brcko District officials hold meeting with Brcko teachers on current situation in Brcko; Final Arbitration Decision on Brcko is reality and must be implemented – Brcko Deputy Supervisor Gerhard Sondheim
- Transport of last remains of fallen soldiers and civilians from Deumica Hala [storage facility] to Banja Luka mausoleum to be carried out on 28 October; DNA analysis to be attempted one more time to identify

bodies — Organisational Board for Transport of Last Remains

- RS Commission for Missing Civilians and Fallen Soldiers exhumes 18 more bodies from three Srpski Brod mass graves
- Three bodies found in Sarajevo cemetery Lav in graves reserved for stillborn children
- Dodik and EC Ambassador to BiH Hansjorg Kretschmer open rehabilitated water plant of Banja Luka Vodovod water management utility
- RS Vice President Sarovic and BiH Minister for Civil Affairs and Communication Tihomir Gligoric congratulate <u>UN</u> on its day, 24 October
- OSCE and OHR warn Jelavic that his initiative to hold referendum on status of Croat people in BiH is not in accordance with BiH Constitution – OHR
- Croatian authorities send protest note to <u>OSCE</u> and OHR regarding changes to election rules – [Croatian Deputy Prime Minister Goran Granic]
- PEC proclaims four candidates unfit to run in upcoming BiH elections (one each from DPS and SDS, and two LDS candidates)
- Radisic to lead BiH delegation at mini-summit of Balkan countries in Skopje on 25 October
- Serbian Parliamentary Assembly delegates appoint new provisional Serbian Government; SPS official Milomir Minic is new Yugoslav Prime Minister, and DOS official Nebojsa Covic and SPO Spasoje Krunic are new Deputy Prime Ministers
- Kostunica hold talks with DOS and SNP officials on establishing new Yugoslav Government
- <u>EU</u> to immediately send aid (200 million euros) to Yugoslavia – EC External Affairs Commissioner Chris Patten
- Serb Orthodox Patriarch Pavle holds talks with Kostunica on introduction of religious education in schools
- Kosovo should become independent state International

Commission, one of whose members is Richard Goldstone, sends this recommendation to Kofi Annan

- World news
- No more rationing of electrical energy in RS new Director of RS Elektroprivreda power utility Marko Asanin
- Nezavisne Novine Director Zeljko Kopanje and three other journalists from Congo, Malaysia and Iran receive awards from New York-based Committee for Protection of Journalists
- BiH becomes full-fledged member of Conference of European Constitutional Court
- BiH is not doing much to combat corruption Stability Pact Anti-Corruption Team member
- Sports and weather