

OHR RTRS News Summary, 24 September 2000

News Headlines:

- Polling stations for Yugoslav election will be opened from 07:00 till 20:00, till 16:00 in Kosovo
- Milosevic votes in Dedinje, Belgrade, and states that he expects Yugoslav election to be good for people and country
- Regime is conscious that it will lose election – DOS presidential candidate Kostunica after casting his vote in Belgrade polling station
- Citizens will immediately recognize my democratic program for Serbia – SPO presidential candidate Vojislav Mihailovic
- If I become Yugoslav President, Seselj will be Yugoslav Prime Minister – SRS presidential candidate Tomislav Nikolic
- Milosevic term in office will end on June 2001, regardless of election results – Yugoslav Prime Minister Momir Bulatovic
- Wife of Vuk Draskovic, Danica Draskovic, votes in Belgrade
- Democratic Party and Social Democratic Union Presidents Zoran Djindjic and Zarko Korac reject allegation of Yugoslav regime that DOS will commit ballot fraud
- 53.6% of registered voters voted by 15:30 – CESID Center for Free Elections and Democracy
- DOS and CESID observers stopped from observing elections in several municipalities in Serbia – CESID
- Unknown persons construct platform (stage) and video-screen at Republic Square in Belgrade
- DOS confirms equipment at Republic Square is not DOS equipment

- If regime constructed stage in Republic Square, DOS will organise rally to await election results in Terazije, Belgrade – DOS spokesperson Cedomir Jovanovic
- SDU President Zarko Korac states that Belgrade SPS erected stage at Republic Square in Belgrade
- Serbian police confiscate DOS sound equipment and DOS video screen in Leskovac
- 21,873 voters voted in Kosovo – UNMIK
- 220 UNMIK teams observe voting in 22 municipalities in Kosovo – Kouchner
- Serbian Resistance Movement President Momcilo Trajkovic and around one hundred Kosovo Serbs prevented from voting in Pristina
- Only 15 voters voted in Pavlovo village in Kosovo: nine for Kostunica, three for SRS candidate Nikolic, two for Milosevic and one for Mihailovic
- Less than 50% of citizens voted on average in all Montenegrin municipalities, no incidents reported – Yugoslav Election Commission for Montenegro Official Neven Basovic
- 69,482 citizens, or 19.45% of registered voters, voted by 18:00 in Montenegro – DOS HQ in Montenegro
- Clash between SRS and SPS members in polling station Revinac in Prokuplje
- SRS member smashes ballot box in Grocka polling station
- Ballot box was stuffed full in Negotin even before voting in Negotin started – DOS Negotin envoy Bosko Micic
- CESID observed irregularity in Leskovac polling station
- President of Polling Committee in Knjazevac caught stuffing ballots in the box – DOS
- US State Department denies claim of Yugoslav officials concerning existence of foreign conspiracy against Yugoslav election – Richard Boutcher
- Banja Luka Refugee Association from Sanski Most President Azra Nedarevic says that Banja Luka refugees to hold session in Zenica on Tuesday to decide whether

they will erect tent settlement in Banja Luka downtown

- RS High Court Council will examine work of justices in RS during next 15 months and will establish dossiers for all justices
- BiH Foreign Ministry and US will organise seminar for employees in diplomatic service in Neum on 1 October
- Increased number of illegal crossings over BiH-Croatia border in Brcko region – Border Service Police Chief Novo Blagojevic
- World news
- New RS authorities must be democratic and open to world and must respect human rights – PDP RS President Mladen Ivanic during PDP Main Board in Banja Luka held on occasion of party's first anniversary
- World Day of Heart denoted in Banja Luka
- Culture
- Sports and weather