

# OHR RTRS News Summary, 25 October 2000

## RT RS News Headlines:

- BiH wants to contribute to development of democracy and security through active role in regional processes – Radisic after informal summit of nine Balkan countries-members of Stability Pact for SE Europe held in Skopje; Kostunica says Yugoslavia wants quick and qualitative return to European environment (02:11)
- Yugoslavia will be accepted in Stability Pact as full-fledged member at Bucharest Regional Summit on 26 October – Pact Coordinator Bodo Hombach
- Kostunica says he accepts responsibility for crimes Milosevic committed in Kosovo
- BiH Minister for Civil Affairs and Communications Tihomir Gligoric presents first diplomatic BiH common passports to Jelavic and Genjac and says passports impossible to falsify (01:28)
- [EU](#) ambassadors meet with Dodik, Djokic and representatives of 12 RS parliamentary parties; they say future of RS and BiH is in joining EU
- Dodik meets with EC Ambassador to BiH Hans Jorg Kretschmer who says EC strategic plan for BiH development in 2001 will be completed at beginning of next year (00:35)
- RS Constitutional Court holds public discussion on constitutionality of Law on Supplements and Amendments to RS Government Law and three acts through which RS National Assembly limited competencies and activities of RS Government; Court says it will bring final decision on this matter this week
- RS Education Ministry asks school principals in RS to organise and restart classes by 30 October at latest

- General strike in 90% of RS schools continuing – RS Education Syndicate strike board
- Demands of RS healthcare workers for payment of overdue salaries and other expenses in full to 30 September 2000 are irrational and cannot be met – RS Health Minister Zeljko Rodic
- RS National Assembly Speaker Djokic and Deputy Speaker Munib Jusufovic meet with RS Confederation of Syndicates delegation; they support workers' demands to return of lowest price of labour (minimum wage) to 80 from 68 KM (01:45)
- Bridge over Sava River near Brcko reopens for traffic between BiH and Croatia
- RS Interior Minister Sredoje Novic and [UN](#) officials discuss problems of illegal immigrants in BiH and returns of minority police officers (00:30)
- Explosive device planted under car of RS Army Colonel goes off on 24 October, no injuries reported – [UN](#) IPTF spokesman Alun Roberts comments, no names mentioned (00:25)
- Centre for Military Training Commander, Colonel Miko Skoric tells SRNA explosive that destroyed his car had been planted under his car that morning (Tuesday)
- Jelavic rejects Barry accusations that marshalling of Croat people and possible referendum on 28 October is in service HDZ election campaign
- Croatia concerned that [OSCE](#) decision on procedure for election of delegates to BiH Federation Parliament could disturb ethnic balance in BiH
- Serbian President Milan Milutinovic dissolves Serbian Assembly in accordance with decision scheduling early parliamentary elections in Serbia
- Serbian Assembly Speaker Dragan Tomic schedules early Serbian parliamentary elections for 23 December
- DOS and Prokuplje Bar Association file charges against Prokuplje Election Commission Head Branislav Niketic, stating he falsified 24 September election results

- KFOR Commander Carlo Cabigioso says very satisfied with calm atmosphere in election campaign period for Kosovo local elections
- Conditioned independence of Kosovo is most reasonable option for resolving status of Kosovo – Head of International Independent Commission for Kosovo Richard Goldstone
- Holbrooke announces quick return of Yugoslavia to UN
- Kosovo Serb representatives demand whole truth concerning fate of missing and kidnapped Serbs in Kosovo
- US Ambassador to [UN](#) Richard Holbrooke to arrive on three-day visit to BiH late on 25 October – BETA
- World news
- Petritsch decides that bodies of Srebrenica victims will be buried in Potocari village, near car battery factory – OHR says, adding that this location will not be disputed (00:18)
- RS Ministry for Issues of Veterans, Victims of War and Labor states it has set aside funding to provide payments regularly to veterans until end of 2000 – RS Minister for Issues of Veterans, Victims of War and Labor Slobodan Zupljanin
- Commission for Real Property Claims reminds people who have confirmed occupancy rights that they must file application to implement decisions in municipalities where apartments are located
- Zepter Invest Fund will be collecting privatisation vouchers until 15 November – Fund Director Milenko Vracar
- Sports
- Weather