OHR RTRS News Summary, 26 May 2000

News Headlines

- <u>OSCE</u> presents new election system for November elections
- <u>EU</u> Commission for BiH Kretschmer and Izetbegovic sign contract on <u>EU</u> financial help for refugee returns
- <u>World Bank</u> allocates 7.4 million dollars of credit for trade and traffic connections in Southeast Europe
- Petritsch worried over destructive approach of Radisic
- Return of BiH to Europe depends on returns like this –
 Petritsch in visit with Serb returnees to Ivanica
- 28 houses for refugees from collective center to be finished by end of June
- Dispute over apartments in new building in Srbinje continues
- Healthcare workers to start general strike if their demands are not met
- Seminar on financing healthcare system in BiH ends in Banja Luka
- Bratunac Maintenance Institute demands help from RS Government due to Defense Ministry debts
- RS Fighters' Association to organize protest rally in Banja Luka on 31 June
- Petritsch appoints Ambassador Matthews Brcko District Supervisor
- Farrand appoints Brcko District Transitional Election Commission
- Red Cross Bijeljina regional office and families of JNA soldiers killed in Tuzla in 1992 agree on joint funeral
- Unknown persons throw bomb at Bosniak house in Banja Luka
- RS and BiH Federation custom services sign contract on cooperation

- Acting Banja Luka Mayor Crnadak informs <u>OSCE</u> of constitutive session of Banja Luka Assembly and list of candidates
- SDP President Lagumdzija accuses SDA and HDZ of cooperating in municipalities in which SDP won majority
- Kupres Municipal Head Rastogorac is illegal occupant of Serb apartment
- <u>OSCE</u> informs HDZ that it does not accept nominations of Sljivic, Rastogorac or Civija
- US extends sanctions against FRY for six months
- Protest rallies in Belgrade and Nis
- Shots fired at Russian KFOR soldiers north of Malesevo
- Fire destroys part of Trepca factory
- 300,000 citizens registered in Kosovo census <u>OSCE</u> Mission to Kosovo press conference
- Yugoslav Government introduces new taxes on imported goods
- World news
- Mesic dismisses his national security advisor Karamarko
- Repairs of Banja Luka water factory
- Sports and weather
- Ivanov says attack on Russian KFOR soldiers proves <u>UN</u> Resolution on Kosovo is not implemented
- Kouchner says first trial for Serbs from Kosovska Mitrovica prison was fair
- Aleksandar Marinkovic sentenced to 13 years by Djakovica court for murder of Albanian
- Yugoslav Committee for Cooperation with UNMIK meets with Kosovo Serb representatives in Gracanica
- Serbian officials assess situation in Kosovska Mitrovica as very difficult
- Roundtable on privatization of Elektroprivreda takes place in Teslic
- Banja Luka University research center to be built in Bardaca
- Sports and weather

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Kupres Municipal Head Rastogorac is illegal occupant of Serb apartment

Head of the Kupres Municipality Milan Rastogorac is an illegal occupant of a Serb apartment, reported ONASA. Because of this, a family of Serb returnees cannot return to their home. Another illegal occupant of a Serb house is Head of the Municipal Department for Architecture and Space Planning Ilija Barasic, who is directly responsible for the implementation of property laws. They both have their own houses, which were reconstructed with IC donations, but do not want to move, concluded an ONASA report.

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