OHR RTRS News Summary, 26 September 2000

News Headlines:

- State Election Commission still not announcing official preliminary election results in Yugoslavia
- SPS-JUL won parliamentary elections SPS Belgrade Board President Ivica Dacic
- Kostunica wins 54.66% of vote, Milosevic 35.01% DOS spokesperson Cedomir Jovanovic
- Kostunica wins 54% of vote, Milosevic 37% without results from Kosovo and Montenegro; 240,000 more votes expected to be counted – Center for Free Elections and Democracy
- Djindjic tells Milosevic to acknowledge defeat in Yugoslavia elections
- Yugoslav army and police must turn back on Belgrade regime
- Milosevic will operate in accordance with law Yugoslav Ambassador to Russia and Slobodan Milosevic's brother Borislav Milosevic
- Nationalist parties achieved poor election results SDU President Zarko Korac
- SPS senior official Milomir Minic hopes that SPS-JUL Coalition won parliamentary elections
- Military reservists receiving call-up papers for military exercise in Leskovac, Serbia
- Milosevic will attempt to manipulate election results Montenegrin President Milo Djukanovic
- Montenegrin SNP Vice-President Predrag Bulatovic calls on Montenegrin authorities not to create problems for citizens who voted in Yugoslavia elections
- Montenegrin authorities will not create problems for citizens who voted in Yugoslavia elections – Montenegrin

Deputy Premier Savo Djurdjevac

- 50,000 Belgrade citizens celebrate DOS and Kostunica victory in streets
- Serbian Patriarch Pavle meets with Kostunica to discuss elections and election results
- Defeat of Milosevic is defeat of forces of past SNSD General Secretary Slavko Mitrovic
- SPRS fears that announcement of preliminary unofficial results may provoke conflict in Yugoslavia, says it will acknowledge election results announced by State Election Commission – SPRS General Secretary Milutin Pejic
- State Election Commission should announce correct results; Kostunica victory is obvious – Biljana Plavsic
- Kostunica is close to historic victory DPS
- DS RS congratulates victory to Kostunica
- Izetbegovic adviser Ademir Jerkovic applauds democratic change in Serbia and Yugoslavia
- US will suspend sanctions against Yugoslavia when Milosevic acknowledges defeat – State Department spokesman Richard Boutcher
- Time for Belgrade regime to step down US Secretary of Defence William Cohen
- Milosevic is constant threat to peace in region US
 Vice President Al Gore
- UK Foreign Secretary Cook warns Milosevic not to stage election results
- Russia requests lifting of sanctions against Yugoslavia regardless of election results – Russian Foreign Ministry
- France will request lifting of sanctions following announcement of election results in Yugoslavia and Milosevic acknowledgement of them – French Foreign Minister Hubert Vedrine
- Croatia is interested in having democratic neighbors Croatian Prime Minister Ivica Racan
- Canada will request lifting of sanctions against
 Yugoslavia if democratic forces come to power

- Stability Pact Coordinator Bodo Hombach says he does not expect conflict in Yugoslavia
- Czech President Vaclav Havel congratulates Kostunica on election victory
- Elections are Yugoslavia's internal matter Chinese Foreign Ministry
- Milosevic has been defeated Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly Speaker Russell Johnston
- RTRS asks Banja Luka citizens what they think of election results in Yugoslavia, two support Milosevic, two are not interested in results, and five others are against Milosevic regime
- RTS reads State Election Commission press release announcing that Kostunica won 48% of vote, Milosevic 40%, and holding of second round run off
- BiH Council of Ministers rejects Mirko Banjac amendments to Law on Travel Documents; BiH Parliamentary Assembly now due to decide on law – Tusevljak
- Mirko Banjac says certain ministers in BiH Council of Ministers made political and not legal decision on his amendments
- OHR spokesperson Chris Bird denies Radisic statement that adoption of common passport is in violation of <u>Dayton Agreement</u>
- Croat candidate for next Chairman of BiH Council of Ministers is Martin Raguz, incumbent Minister for Human Rights and Refugees
- BiH Minister of Civil Affairs Tihomir Gligoric meets with French Ambassador to discuss mutual
- Pre-election campaign for general elections in BiH to begin on 27 September – OSCE
- Petritsch went too far when he said that poverty rules where national parties are in power – HDZ BiH
- RS Government to finance road construction between Srbac and Prnjavor
- Brcko District Assembly requests Brcko Government to prevent employers in Brcko authorities from misusing

apartments and houses

- BiH Parliament Assembly House of Representatives fails to adopt Draft Law on Supplements and Amendments to Law on Pension and Disability Insurance during Tuesday's session
- World news
- DOS Election Manager Zoran Djindjic comments on State Election Commission announcement of possible second round run off of presidential elections, says DOS will first examine data and will not accept second round if results show that Kostunica won in first round
- Sports and weather