OHR RTRS News Summary, 27 April 2000

News Headlines

- European Council delegation meets with Radisic, Djokic, RS Justice Minister Cedo Vrzina and Education Minister Nenad Suzic
- Dodik and RS Finance Minister Novak Kondic meet with World Bank Director Christian Portman
- BiH House of Peoples adopts EU instructions for reforms in BiH
- Djokic meets with delegation of Italian economists
- Appointment of Gligoric result of long consultations between Radisic and RS political parties and Serb representatives in BiH Parliament – Sarovic
- RS Government does not support appointment of Gligoric
- SDS does not oppose appointment of Gligoric – Cavic
- SNS dissatisfied with manner in which Gligoric was chosen – SNS spokesperson Ostoja Barasin
- SPRS happy that OHR welcomed Gligoric appointment
- DSP will not support Gligoric appointment – DSP Vice-president Igor Radojicic
- RS Religion Minister Jovo Turanjanin, Radisic, Djokic and Dodik send Easter greetings to Patriarch Pavle and Orthodox believers
- Petritsch to prohibit municipal authorities from using state-owned property – OHR
- RS Refugee and DP Ministry cooperates with all refugees wanting to return
- 50 Serbs visit Donja Dubista, near Gorazde
- Serbs complain of poor behavior of Brcko police during Bosniak reconstruction of houses on 19 April unfounded – UN spokesperson Coffman
- Brcko District Assembly forms commission for human

rights
- RS Government highly values results of RS Interior Ministry in 1999
- Banja Luka Art University students protest against unresolved accommodation problem of housing
- RS Education Ministry supports Art University student demands, but says engagement of Banja Luka City Assembly is necessary
- RS towns having problems with facilities for education
- Radisic, Djokic and Gligoric meet with RS Syndicate delegation
- BiH citizens living abroad can register for elections in BiH – Domi
- 101 persons murdered in Kosovo since beginning of 2000 – UN police
- Ortuno condemns frequent attacks on Russian KFOR soldiers
- KFOR finds unidentified body near Lebane
- Eight Albanians arrested for illegal possession of weapons – KFOR
- Albanians demand release of Albanians from Serbian prisons
- Kouchner does not understand public pressure on Serbs to return to Kosovo
- Milosevic prepares reception for eighth anniversary of establishment of Yugoslavia-Montenegrin Federation
- Businessman Zoran Uskokovic murdered in Belgrade – BETA
- JAT Director Zivorad Petrovic buried in Belgrade
- ICTY investigators find mass grave near Gospic
- World news
- Sports
- Weather
- Two earthquakes registered near Banja Luka
- 2 May non-working day in RS – RS Government
- CD Coalition has no reason to suspect that election of second RS National Assembly Vice-president is being avoided – SPRS

- Election of second RS National Assembly Vice-president is condition by which IC will judge work of RS National Assembly – DSP
- UN Security Council delegation arrives in Pristina to value work of UNMIK
- Census in Kosovska Mitrovica postponed for logistical reasons – UN representative Keats
- Serb representative Oliver Ivanovic rejects Keats' explanation of census troubles in Mitrovica
- OSCE census in Kosovo illegal – Yugoslav Statistical Institute
- Bishop Artemije meets with KFOR MND Center Commander to discuss situation in Kosovo
- US Department for refugees informs those wanting to return to Kosovo that they must register by 1 May
- Freedom House Organization says repression of media is increasing in Yugoslavia
- Cause of problems in Balkans is lack of democracy in Serbia – Clark
- Bratunac Medical Center workers strike and demand past five salaries
- Pensioners from Gracanica, near Doboj, demand payment of pensions

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BiH citizens living abroad can register for elections in BiH – Domi

At a press conference in Sarajevo, OSCE spokesperson Tanya Domi stated that BiH citizens living abroad can already register for the upcoming general elections in BiH, adding that the deadline for registration is 31 May. The OSCE and IMC welcome the European Council decision on the protection of journalist sources. An OSCE press release reads that the protection of confidential sources of information is one of the most important steps that every democratic society undertakes in order to promote the freedom of media and the

protection of the rights of journalists. The IMC also brought new decisions against violations of media rules during the election period. HRTV Herceg-Bosna was fined 2,000 KM, RTV BiH 1,000 KM, HRTV Mostar 400 KM, ATV Banja Luka 200 KM and BEL TV 200 KM. IMC spokesperson Zinaida Babovic reminded that all BiH media outlets that did not pay for their temporary broadcast licenses must do so before 31 May.

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