

OHR RTRS News Summary, 27 December 1999

News Headlines

- RS National Assembly starts ninth session in Banja Luka
- RS National Assembly adopts agenda for ninth session
- Assembly's first agenda point is question period with ministers of RS Government
- First half of October pensions in RS disbursed on Monday
- 28 December is deadline to harmonize Law on BiH Council of Ministers with BiH Constitution
- Mihajlovic statement on Law on BiH Council of Ministers
- 200 Serb families have returned to Glamoc Municipality up to now – Glamoc Executive Board President Bozo Jovicic
- Ten persons injured in Vitina, Kosovo – KFOR and BETA
- [UN](#) police in Kosovo arrest Kosovo Albanian
- KFOR arrests three Kosovo Albanians near Pec for possession of weapons
- Kosovo Serb National Council establishes Serb Return Board for Klina and Istok municipalities
- Chinese Prime Minister meets with Yugoslav Foreign Minister Zivadin Jovanovic and calls for respect of Yugoslav integrity and sovereignty
- Belgian Government to give DM 340,000 to aid Kosovo Roma refugees
- World news
- HDZ will name candidates for Croatian presidential election on 5 January
- Compensation for WWII POWs now living in the RS
- Culture
- River Drina level very high near Bijeljina Municipality
- Weather
- RS National Assembly discusses draft RS 2000 budget

- RS National Assembly to continue session on Tuesday at 9:30
- Fourteen polling station to be opened in BiH for Croatian parliamentary elections – Croatian Foreign Ministry
- Kuwait to donate \$20 million to BiH Federation for industrial development
- Rail transport re-established between Kosovo Polje and Zvecani – UNMIK Kosovska Mitrovica
- Union of Democratic Parties of Serbia holds press conference in Belgrade
- Conflict between SPS and Serbian opposition identical to conflict between Montenegro and Serbia in Yugoslav Federation – Belgrade University professor
- World news
- Culture

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Mihajlovic statement on Law on BiH Council of Ministers

BiH Council of Ministers Co-chairman Svetozar Mihajlovic comments on a ruling of the BiH Constitutional Court regarding the Law on the BiH Council of Ministers. Mihajlovic said that the “concept of harmonizing the Law on the BiH Council of Ministers with a ruling of the BiH Constitutional Court has showed who is for the [Dayton Agreement](#) and who is against it. In other words, it shows who is supporting Dayton in a declarative form only.” This time, the Bosniak side has shown that “it supports the concept of outvoting (majorization over) the other two constituent people in BiH since they (Bosniaks) are the majority nation in BiH.” The Bosniak side wanted that very thing before the war – a unitary BiH, said Mihajlovic. “Since the wartime leaders of the Bosniak people have not realized their goals during the war and in the Dayton Peace Agreement, they want to realize those goals now, in peacetime” added Mihajlovic. Mihajlovic expects that the IC and the High Representative will have to intervene to make sure the [Dayton](#)

[Agreement](#) and the equality of the three BiH people are respected. The BiH Council of Ministers should continue on with its work until a new BiH Council of Ministers is elected (he means old Council reconstructed), said Mihajlovic, but added that this, in practical terms, means that the Council of Ministers is against the BiH Constitutional Court ruling. Until the new BiH Council of Ministers is elected, the present Council will only deal with certain technical issues. No official sessions of the Council in its present composition will be held, Mihajlovic said.

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News Headlines

- RS Government supports draft RS 2000 budget law
- Djokic schedules 9th RS National Assembly for 27 December
- RS National Assembly Economy and Finance Committee holds session
- Russian army enters Grozny
- One child dies in Pristina fire – KFOR
- Del Ponte intends to review war crimes charges against [NATO](#) on Yugoslav bombing campaign
- Yugoslav police ready to return to Kosovo – Yugoslav Interior Minister Stoiljkovic
- Chaos and anarchy rule in Kosovo – Yugoslav Prosecutor Jokanovic
- Goranci ethnic minority representative Dragas condemns formation of Kosovo Transitional Administration
- IMC press release
- 2,000 persons return to Bosansko Grahovo since end of war – Bosansko Grahovo Executive Council
- World News
- Granting municipal land for refugee home construction one of the ways to resolve this problem

- 4,380 applications for municipal land grants submitted in Bijeljina
- 1,000 sites allotted to refugees and DPs in eastern Herzegovina
- Doboј authorities to accommodate 20,000 refugees and DPs
- RS Association for Medicinal Herbs established
- Two persons killed in car crash near Banja Luka
- Sports
- Weather
- Gnjilane Serbs request KFOR assistance to prevent Albanian attacks on their homes

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IMC press release

The IMC in a press release states that the electoral silence in BiH for parliamentary elections in Croatia will begin on 1 January 2000 at 24:00 and run through to 3 January when polling stations are expected to close. All radio and TV stations that have received an IMC broadcasting license are forbidden to broadcast information on party pre-electoral campaigns or election results during the period of election silence, reads the IMC release.

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