

OHR RTRS News Summary, 27 September 1999

News Headlines

- Radisic meets with Barry
- KM and Yugoslav Dinar may be used in RS payment system – RS Finance Ministry
- Sarovic states he is not responsible to any political party
- SNS and Sloga Coalition to argue need for presidential elections if Sarovic does not assume presidential duty – SNS member Milica Markovic Elez
- Members of BiH Presidency meet with Solana and Clark to discuss work of BiH institutions, especially work of Permanent Military Committee
- Solana and Clark hold press conference
- [SFOR](#) will remain in BiH as long as necessary – Solana
- [SFOR](#) will reduce number of soldiers by one third – Clark
- Radisic meets with British and French Ambassadors to BiH
- Dodik visits US where he meets with former US Special Envoy for Balkans Gelbard
- Mihajlovic meets with BiH Ombudsman Gret Haller
- BiH Council of Ministers should discuss law for Ombudsmen in BiH – Mihajlovic
- BiH Minister for Civil Affairs and Communications Asanin meets with Russian Embassy Envoy
- Mixed Commission for Traffic between Slovenia and BiH agree to cancel permission for transport between Slovenia and BiH
- Two killed and five injured in Kosovo in last 24 hours – KFOR
- Kosovo Albanian killed in Pec – KFOR
- Two Serb civilians injured in Bresja, Kosovo
- KFOR confiscates four guns and five pistols in Bresja

- Serb civilian injured in Ugljare near Kosovo Polje, Serbs block Pristina-Pec road
- Yugoslav Officials do not accept agreement on KLA disarmament – Yugoslav [UN](#) Envoy Branko Brankovic
- 300 dead and 500 disappeared since KFOR arrival – Serb Kosovo National Assembly Envoy Veljko Odalovic
- Kosovo Multiethnic Protection Corps established on multiethnic basis – KFOR spokesperson Major Jirgens
- Kosovo is big challenge – new KFOR Commander Klaus Reinhardt
- [ICTY](#) experts conclude work at 150 sites in Kosovo – [ICTY](#) Pristina Office representative Kelly Moore
- Kosovo Transitional Council unsuccessful and Kosovo Protection Force to evolve into Kosovo Army – Hashim Tachi
- USAID to give KM 225,000 to ten NGOs in BiH
- Daniel Luis will be OHR Envoy to Trebinje
- IC organizations establish phone line with Trebinje – [OSCE](#) spokesperson Renate Hermanns
- OHR to assist in return of refugees – OHR Envoy for Refugee Return Denis Besedic
- Police cannot evict without legal representation – UN
- [SFOR](#) spokesperson on 'Operation Harvest 1999' in Trebinje area
- Luzanski meets with US Institute for Peace Initiative for Balkans
- US Ambassador to BiH Miller and BiH Federation Social Minister discuss adoption of orphans
- Unknown person sends threatening message to musician Goran Bregovic
- 100 Kosovo Serb refugees accommodated in Vranje go on hunger strike
- Montenegro to continue democratic processes – Montenegrin President Djukanovic
- SPO President Draskovic meets with Czech President Havel
- US Administration lifts ban on Yugoslav officers employed on foreign boats from entering harbors

- Subotica Police confiscate 15,400 counterfeit DM banknotes
- World news
- French President Chirac to discuss inland navigation problem on Danube river with members of G-7, Russia and EU
- Albania considers Kosovo Serb demand for forming Kosovo Serb Protection Force to be provocative act
- RS Civil Protection and German organization Help sign contract for financing mine clearing process
- Dragan Kolundzija cannot declare himself on expanded [ICTY](#) charges because his lawyer was not present at [ICTY](#)
- RS Culture
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Sarovic states he is not responsible to any political party

RS Vice-president Mirko Sarovic stated that he was not responsible to any political party. The request for early presidential elections in the RS is a co-ordinated pressure, some kind of propaganda to draw attention to the other side. Sarovic considers the request of the CD Coalition for participation in the RS Government to be legitimate. Sarovic added that the CD Coalition supports keeping the RS Government alive.

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Unknown person sends threatening message to musician Goran Bregovic

Threats were addressed to the musician Goran Bregovic and his family prior to his concert scheduled to take place in Sarajevo on 1 October, It was said that the concert would be prevented, even with explosives, if necessary. Yesterday, the office of Dnevni Avaz received an anonymous phone call from a man who presented himself as a member of the group of war

veterans and patriots called "Zekat". The same voice warned that, in the event of a public appearance by the Serbian musician, severe measures would be undertaken in order to prevent the concert, even with explosives. The Sarajevo Canton Interior Ministry said that they have not received such a call but in any case, they would undertake all necessary measures to ensure that the concert is held with no incidents.

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Radisic meets with Barry

BiH Presidency Member Zivko Radisic met with Head of the [OSCE](#) Mission to BiH Robert Barry in Sarajevo where they discussed the de-blocking of the RS Presidential institution. Radisic stated that RS Vice-president Mirko Sarovic should assume presidential duty. Chief of Radisic's Office Zeljko Samardzija stated that "Ambassador Barry presented the IC's readiness to help solve the crisis by Sarovic assuming presidential duty as the result of a compromise between RS political blocks and the IC. Barry expressed reserve in view of cooperation if Sarovic would continue the practice of his predecessor" added Samardzija.

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