## OHR RTRS News Summary, 3 October 1999

## **News Headlines**

- Dodik and RS delegation depart for Moscow
- Dodik to meet with Ivanov
- Political agreement on suspension of position of cochairman in BiH Council of Ministers to be defined by end of year — Mihajlovic
- BiH Ministry for Civilian Issues and Communication receives Merhez Amdouni, terrorist Bin Laden follower – Asanin
- Haselock colonial conqueror Vasic
- Draskovic and his wife injured, four persons die in car accident near Lazarevac
- Police prevents protest walk in Belgrade
- Nis citizens protest despite police forbidding it
- 10,000 demonstrators gather in Zrenjanin
- Dienstbier condemns police brutality against antigovernment demonstrators in Yugoslavia
- One Muslim killed and one injured in Pec KFOR spokesperson Lavoir
- KFOR searches former KLA building and finds weapons
- KFOR confiscates weapons in Orahovac and Prizren
- KFOR arrests six persons
- Albanians stone Serbs in Livadice near Podujevo
- Albanians rob Serb furniture from train in Kosovo Polje
- Kosovo Polje calm
- KFOR only legitimate force in Kosovo <u>UN</u> Special Envoy Dobbins
- Kosovo Protection Corps not presenting threat to Serbs –
  UN spokesperson Ekhart
- <u>UNHCR</u> to deliver 56,000 sets for repair of houses in Kosovo

- RS Vice-president Kremenovic visits Trebinje
- Trebinje Episcopal Grigorije promoted
- Djokic reveals monument devoted to fallen soldiers in Brezik near Brcko
- BiH Federation Army not established yet Meigs
- Possibility of forming joint units of BiH Federation units with <u>UN</u> only good idea — BiH Federation Defense Minister Prce
- CD Coalition condemns IC for incidents in Mostar
- World News
- Agriculture
- Sports
- Weather
- Dodik arrives in Moscow
- I believe <u>Dayton Agreement</u> is stabile Dodik
- Stability Pact not possible without Serbia Dodik
- Belgrade citizens protest
- Draskovic car accident happened under unusual circumstances — SPO official Borovic
- Dienstbier invites IC to suspend isolation of Yugoslavia
  SRNA
- SNG TV appeals for help in search of its two missing employees — AP

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## Haselock colonial conqueror - Vasic

RS Information Minister Rajko Vasic sent a letter to Deputy High Representative for Media Simon Haselock where he accuses him of behaving like a colonial conqueror. Vasic believes that Haselock has admitted there is centralization and unitarianism in the BiH media by stating that the RS National Assembly has no authority to discuss the BiH Public Broadcast Service. He has also admitted depriving entities of authority and revision of the <u>Dayton Agreement</u>. Vasic assessed Haselock's statement that two representatives in the Establishment Board are going to protect interests of the BiH nations as even more

dangerous, because the nations would be excluded from the works in the authority of the media. Vasic thinks that Haselock should not try to deny these arguments because he would only drag himself and the OHR deeper into the mud of improvised decrees. He should instead explain why the Establishment Board should engage in the debts of the phantom RTV BiH and where all that big money went, as well as the money that the International Community gave for a failed project of OBN. Regarding the RS authorities and the attitude, which, according to Haselock, opposes Vasic's, he should follow the statements of RS politicians more closely. Vasic concludes that as far as he has followed the OHR, Alexandra Stiglmayer does not stand behind Haselock.

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