

# OHR RTRS News Summary, 30 October 1999

## News Headlines

- Dodik and Petritsch visit Kopanja
- Dodik to visit Israel
- Mihajlovic praises second Donors' Conference on de-mining
- RS National Assembly adopts laws on refugees, displaced persons, families of fallen soldiers, militants and returnees
- RS National Assembly to continue session on 10 November
- Djokic comments on RS National Assembly session
- RS Presidential crisis should be resolved – Djokic
- RS Deputy Refugee Minister Dzodan praises adoption of law on refugees, displaced persons and returnees
- Members of Association for Return to Serb Gorazde protest in Donja Sopotnica
- West Krajina Refugee Society holds session on return
- Number of US [SFOR](#) soldiers to be reduced by 30 % till April
- KFOR spokesperson Hungis on murders in Kosovo
- KFOR discovers female body in Orocevo
- One Serb injured in Vitina
- Six Kosovo Albanians attack Serb in Vrebesnica
- 300 Serbs protest in Leposavic
- KFOR protects Croat refugee convoy
- Two Serbs injured in Vitina and Strpci
- Rheinhardt furious over attack on Serb convoy in Pec
- Rheinhardt praises return of Serbs
- Animosity barrier to IC aims in Kosovo – Kouchner
- Kosovo to become independent republic – Bildt
- Special Envoy Hill on Kosovo stability
- Albright speaks with Djukanovic on new Montenegrin

monetary policy

- US supports Djukanovic activities – Rubin
- Vojvodina Coalition praises new Montenegrin monetary policy
- JUL representative Matic criticizes opposition request for early elections
- New Democracy holds session
- In Sarajevo, [World Bank](#) representative Lynn presents [World Bank](#) activities
- BiH Federation Deputy Minister Musa seeks support for parallel education systems in BiH Federation
- NHI on corruption and SAB Bank
- World news
- RS Customs and police confiscate 207 cartons of cigarettes
- BiH Presidency member Izetbegovic condemns attack on Kopanja
- BiH on road to final [Dayton Agreement](#) implementation – Carl Bildt
- Bildt on [ICTY](#)
- Incident in Lipljane, three persons injured
- One person injured in Orahovo, Kosovo
- 288 Kosovo Croats arrive in Zagreb
- Serbian Government sends seeds to Kosovo
- Yugoslav Committee for [ICTY](#) Cooperation meets with [UN](#) officials, holds session to discuss Serbs in Orahovac, education and healthcare in Kosovo
- Greek doctors leave organization Doctors without Borders
- Papandreau criticizes formation of Greater Albania
- Djindjic requests IC lift sanctions on Serbia
- Fire at Belgrade horse track
- Culture
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### **Dodik and Petritsch visit Kopanja**

RS Prime Minister Milorad Dodik and High Representative [Wolfgang Petritsch](#) visited Nezavisne Novine and Nes Radio Editor-in-Chief Zeljko Kopanja on Saturday. After the visit and a meeting with doctors, Petritsch stated that the International Community would do everything to get Kopanja back to work and punish the perpetrators of the crime that landed him in the hospital. Petritsch added that Vienna was ready to continue Kopanja's rehabilitation at no cost. Petritsch said that after the attempt on Kopanja's life he spoke with representatives of the International Community and Ambassadors of the Peace Implementation Council's Executive Board on activities against terrorism. "All honest people want to live in peace" Petritsch stated. "Activities for peace and against terrorism should unite everybody, no matter what nationality." Dodik stated that, "unfortunately, some people were ready to eliminate those with a different line of thought." He added that the current RS Government was worried by the fact that political enemies of its method of work had chosen terrorism. Doctor Milijan Kalusevic informed journalists that Kopanja's condition was good.

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### **Members of Association for Return to Serb Gorazde protest in Donja Sopotnica**

Bosniak members of the Association for Return to Serb Gorazde have been protesting on the IEBL in Donja Sopotnica since Wednesday. Approximately 100 Bosniaks blocked the Serb Gorazde-Gorazde road with their vehicles. Representatives of the OHR and Serb Gorazde Municipality agreed that the owners of property in Serb Gorazde should be allowed to come and assess their property, which was a request of the Association. However, the deal was not respected. President of Serb Gorazde Municipality Slavko Topalovic stated that, afterwards, the Association requested returns. Bosniaks want to return to settled parts of Serb Gorazde. A scheduled meeting of the municipal commission did not take place because members of the

CD Coalition did not arrive.

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