OHR RTRS News Summary, 4 April 2000

News Headlines

- RT RS issues press release on decision of RS Telecom, saying they will have no resources because of decision to stop collection of TV subscriptions through phone bill
- RS Telecom will not continue to collect TV subscription for RTRS
- Krajisnik to enter plea at <u>ICTY</u> on Friday
- Del Ponte supports <u>SFOR</u> action and requests arrest of Karadzic
- SPRS worried over consequences of Krajisnik arrest, saying that Krajisnik was one of the signatories of the Dayton Agreement
- SDS Presidency condemns arrest of Krajisnik
- SFOR arrest operation performed in collusion with one part of SDS — SRS General Secretary Ognjen Tadic
- SNS dissatisfied with the fact that blame is placed on more Serb side than other
- After Krajisnik arrest, Izetbegovic has the most to fear
 SNSD
- NATO Secretary- General Robertson calls on Karadzic to surrender
- 4 April is Day of RS Police
- PEC disqualifies two candidates, SDS and SPRS, for local elections in Sekovici Municipality
- Dodik visits Srpska Kostajnica and Kozarska Dubica
- 750 supervisors from 54 countries to observe local elections in BiH OSCE
- Radisic expects general elections in BiH to be held this October
- IMF approves new funding for BiH budget

- Peace Implementation Council Steering Board holds session attended by RS and BiH Federation finance ministers and World Bank and IMF envoys
- BiH Border Commission holds session
- BiH Minister for Civilian Affairs and Communication Marko Asanin proposes establishment of Property Fund for Refugees and DPs at BiH Central Bank in accordance with <u>Dayton Agreement</u>
- 400 citizens have returned to settlements of Kozja Luka and Jelac in Srbinje Municipality — <u>UNHCR</u>
- Strong explosion in Modrica, RS police investigating
- International Commission for Missing Persons holds session in Sarajevo, Klein attends
- BiH Federation Government adopts reports on work of prosecutor's offices and bank privatization process
- Six children injured in Resnik, near Klina
- Kosovo Administrative Council supports decision of Kosovo Serb National Council
- 1,000 students hold rally in Belgrade
- <u>EU</u> postpones stronger financial sanctions against Belgrade regime
- World news
- RS education workers to receive salaries for March
- RS Electrical Industry Main Headquarters to stay in Trebinje
- RS Telecom has monopoly on telecommunication in RS
- Sports and weather
- Ceremony of RS Police Day is held in Banja Luka
- Dodik visits Gradiska Municipality
- Yugoslav Army officials reject possibility of communication with Montenegrin authority through Djukanovic's advisers, who are Yugoslav Army pensioners
- Kosovo Serbs block road near Strpci and Jazinac
- Serb civilian killed by <u>NATO</u> bomb in Nis
- ICTY Chief Prosecutor Carla Del Ponte meets with Slovene Foreign Minister Dimitrij Rupel to discuss on mutual relations

- World news
- Reconstructed bridge in Brod to be opened on 5 April
- RS Railroad Management Board issues new time-table
- Seminar on Religious Tolerance held in Brcko
- Sports and weather
- RS People's Party has candidates in 15 RS municipalities
- SDP BiH holds final pre-election rally in Banja Luka
- Local BiH elections will be signal to IC: Is BiH ready for democratic change? SDP BiH Zlatko Lagumdzija states during press conference in Banja Luka
- Serb Patriotic Party holds public forum in Banja Luka
- Municipality administrations are ineffective –
 Independent September Party
- Democratic Patriotic Party satisfied with its campaign,
 but not satisfied with coverage of its pre-election
 campaign in the print media
- RS Democratic Party Doboj Municipal Board supports concept of coalition of all Serb parties
- SPO Vice-president Zdravko Mrkonja says that we have to give youth a change to keep them from leaving BiH
- SPO holds press conference in Doboj
- SNS holds public forums in Ostra Luka and Prijedor, SNS President Biljana Plavsic says that the SNS is a democratic and people party with real goals
- SNS holds press conference, member Ostoja Barasin says that RT RS gave the following airtimes to the following parties: SDS, 25:00; SNSD, 24:15; PDP RS, 22:54; SPRS, 21:30; while SNS only received 19:44
- Serb Fatherland Movement holds public forum in Srbinje
- SPRS holds final public forum in Prijedor pre-election campaign, says that danger to RS is coming from inside the RS — Radisic
- SNSD holds public forums in Gornji Podgradci, Dregelji and Gradiska villages
- SNSD press conference in Banja Luka
- SDS holds public forum in Gradiska in which several thousand citizens participate, says the work of the RS

Government has been catastrophic

- SDS holds public forums in Banja Luka suburb Centar, Lopare and Bijeljina, calls on all citizens to participate in upcoming local election
- PDP RS holds its central rally in Banja Luka's Borik Sports Hall