

# OHR RTRS News Summary, 5 January 2000

## News Headlines

- Radisic sends Christmas greetings to Patriarch Pavle and bishops of Orthodox Church
- Djokic sends Christmas greetings to Patriarch Pavle and bishops of Orthodox Church
- Sarovic sends Christmas greetings to Orthodox in RS
- Dodik sends Christmas greetings to Patriarch Pavle, bishops of Orthodox Church and Orthodox people
- Turanjanin sends Christmas greetings to Patriarch Pavle, bishops of Orthodox Church and Orthodox people
- Dodik visit to Jerusalem
- UK Ambassador to BiH Graham Hand meets with Sarovic
- SDP to suggest new government structure of less authority for Croatian President to all political parties – SDP President Ivica Racan
- Radisic congratulates SDP on victory in Croatian elections
- Radic comments on election results in Croatia
- Cavic comments on election results in Croatia
- Luzanski comments on election results in Croatia
- Serb People's Party from Croatia President Djukic hopes for better cooperation with new Croatian authorities
- Victory of Croatian opposition is positive impulse for Balkan area – Momir Bulatovic
- US State Department congratulates winners of Croatian elections
- UK Foreign Minister Robin Cook offers help to new Croatian authorities
- Germany Foreign Minister Fischer congratulates winners of Croatian elections
- Deadline for nominating presidential candidates in

Croatia is midnight on 5 January

- Petritsch sends greetings to elected authorities in Croatia
- Asanin meets with Ralph Johnson to discuss cooperation between BiH and Croatia
- Celebrations at RS Army barracks in Banja Luka
- Second part of October pensions delivered in RS
- SPRS holds press conference in Banja Luka
- Sloga Coalition involved in financial transgressions in RS – SRS General Secretary Ognjen Tadic
- BiH House of Representatives to hold session on 12 January to discuss proposed Law on BiH Border Service
- European Commission informs public of falsified documents in some areas of BiH
- [SFOR](#) action in Bocinja, near Maglaj, is possible if BiH Federation authorities do not arrest person who attacked Commander of Norwegian [SFOR](#) Battalion – Norwegian [SFOR](#) Battalion Commander Hagen
- [SFOR](#) soldier dies at Tuzla [SFOR](#) base
- Italy supports [UN](#) resolution on Kosovo – Dini
- Three killed in last two days in Kosovo – KFOR
- Serb disappears in village of Zvecani
- Serbs from Kursumlija Municipality may leave because of security situation
- Yugoslav dinar to be withdrawn from Montenegro at end of January – Montenegrin economic official
- 36 journalists killed and 84 arrested in 1999 – Reporters without Borders
- World news
- Sports and weather
- Israeli President meets with Orthodox patriarchs and Dodik
- Orthodox patriarchs call for world peace
- Unofficial temporary results and new structure of Croatian Parliament
- [SFOR](#) base in Hungarian city of Petschuh closed in accordance with reorganization of [SFOR](#)

- World news
- Economic news
- Sports and weather

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### **Radic comments on election results in Croatia**

President of the Democratic Patriotic Party Predrag Radic stated that he expects the new authorities in Croatia will do everything to end the agony of Serb refugees from Croatia and Croat refugees from the RS and to resolve these issues in accordance with the [Dayton Agreement](#).

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### **Cavic comments on election results in Croatia**

SDS Vice-president Dragan Cavic stated that he does not expect dramatic changes in the policy of the new ruling coalition in Croatia regarding Serb refugees. He explained this view with the fact that the winning parties did not condemn discriminative measures against Serbs in the registration process for the Croatian elections. Cavic believes that Croats in BiH must be worried by the election results, because they lost their strongest ally.

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### **Luzanski comments election results in Croatia**

BiH Federation Vice-president Ivo Andric-Luzanski congratulated the former Croatian opposition on their victory and stated that the HDZ fulfilled its historical duty by creating a sovereign and independent state. Luzanski believes that the removal of current authorities in Croatia will not change relations with Croats in BiH, because aid to Croats in BiH is a constitutional obligation of the Republic of Croatia, not individual political parties.

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