OHR RTRS News Summary, 6 September 2000

News Headlines:

- <u>UN</u> Millennium Summit begins in New York
- Payment of disability benefits for disabled veterans and civilians starts on 6 September
- BiH Parliamentary Assembly House of Representatives adjourns session discussing BiH travel documents due to lack of quorum
- Tusevljak meets with Bicakcic to discuss cooperation between two governments and revitalisation of economy
- Radisic and RS Defence Minister Milovanovic separately meet with <u>SFOR</u> Commander Adams
- New <u>SFOR</u> commander will be Michael Dodson
- RS Defence Ministry issues press release on Reporter weekly article on alleged list of <u>ICTY</u> sealed indictments
- Croatian police arrest Ante Sliskovic and Tomo Vlajic in Zadar, who are suspected of committing war crimes in Ahmici village in central Bosnia in 1993
- Greek Foreign Minister Papandreau meets with Patriarch Pavle in Belgrade, due to visit Pristina and Podgorica on 8 September
- Funeral of late Director of RS Academy of Arts and Science Slavko Leovac to be held in Belgrade on 8 September
- Commemoration for Leovac held in Srpsko Sarajevo
- Strike Board of Banja Luka Clinic meets with Clinic Management in Banja Luka
- 12th session of RS National Assembly to be held in Banja Luka on 7 September
- RS National Assembly should appoint RS Chief Auditor for Public Sector – DNS Vice President Dragutin Rodic tells

press conference in Banja Luka

- Present RS National Assembly composition should complete its work after 12th session – DSP President Nebojsa Radmanovic
- BiH Foreign Minister Jadranko Prlic confirms he is leaving HDZ BiH
- Second day of work of Roundtable on Industrial Strategy held in Banja Luka
- EU envoy Doris Pack condemns Milosevic attempt to prevent OTPOR resistance movement pre-election activities
- Belgrade police confiscate 15 empty boxes of OTPOR material in Belgrade
- DOS presidential candidate Vojislav Kostunica announces he will visit Montenegro as part of election campaign
- Milosevic might win first round of presidential elections, which is very dangerous – SPO presidential candidate Vojislav Mihailovic
- SRS presidential candidate Tomislav Nikolic says if he wins presidential elections, he will support Yugoslav ties with Russia and Belarus
- DOS will not react to SPO positions during election campaign – DOS member Dragoljub Micunovic
- League of Vojvodina Hungarians (UVH) President Jozef
 Kasa says UVH will request regionalisation of Vojvodina
- Coalition of Sandzak will support DOS presidential candidate Kostunica – Coalition of Sandzak President Rasim Ljajic
- Montenegrin SNP unable to confirm Milosevic visit to Montenegro
- Montenegrin Prime Minister Filip Vujanovic says he does not expect Milosevic victory
- Russian Duma receives official request from Yugoslavia to observe Yugoslav elections
- 100 Belgrade residents appeal for kidnapped Ivan Stambolic to be found
- 8 September is deadline for applications to purchase

apartments with tenant's rights in BiH Federation

- <u>UN</u> says announced decrease in RS police salaries will have negative impact on police work in RS – UN/IPTF spokesperson Alun Roberts
- Two Orthodox churches burglarised in Sarajevo
- Croatia will support return of all refugees Croatian Foreign Minister Tonino Picula
- Croatian Revolutionary Brotherhood assumes responsibility for recent murder of <u>ICTY</u> witness Milan Levar, announces it will assassinate Croatian President Stipe Mesic and 11 other persons
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Croatia will support return of all refugees — Croatian Foreign Minister Tonino Picula (00:36)

Official Zagreb on Wednesday hosted a roundtable on refugee return to the Banja Luka region and Bosnian Posavina, held with the participation of Croatian Foreign Minister Tonino Picula and Banja Luka Bishop Franjo Komarica. Picula stated that Croatia would continue to support the return of all refugees, but that return strategy would depend on the results of upcoming elections in BiH and Yugoslavia. Komarica warned that data on returns in the Banja Luka region and Posavina was devastating. He confirmed that RS authorities were blocking returns, but that the IC cannot be amnestied from responsibility either. Only 7,000 Croats have remained in the Banja Luka region, out of 70,000 who lived there before the war, concluded Komarica.