OHR RTRS News Summary, 7 April 2000

News Headlines

- Krajisnik pleads not guilty in The Hague, Belgrade lawyer Igor Pantelic is representing Krajisnik
- OSCE Head of Mission to BiH Robert Barry press conference in Sarajevo
- RS Government invites all RS citizens to participate in local election
- Local election is as important as other elections –
 Petritsch
- 1,300 Banja Luka and 190 IPTF police officers to provide security for polling stations in Banja Luka — IPTF spokesperson Alun Roberts
- 148 polling stations plus eight for absentee voting in Banja Luka, preparations for election in Banja Luka completed — Banja Luka Local Election Commission
- Preparations for local election in RS complete RS local election commissions report
- RT RS polls citizens in Banja Luka, Prijedor, Srpsko Sarajevo, Trebinje and Bijeljina if will they participate in local election, majority say yes
- Dodik meets with Director of Office for Implementation of <u>Dayton Agreement</u>, David de Lini
- Spain to give \$15 million for reconstruction of Banja Luka Clinical Center, railroads and phone network
- Dodik visits Rehabilitation Center 'Miroslav Zlotovic' in Banja Luka
- OHR presents draft law on forests to BiH Federation
 Government
- 310 cars in Livno illegal registered BiH Federation Customs Authority
- Yugoslav Committee for UN Cooperation sends note of

- protest to <u>UN</u> Security Council due to violent behavior of KFOR during weapons collection actions
- KFOR distributes pamphlet explaining its operation in Gracanica, Kosovo
- KFOR confirms that Swedish KFOR soldier injured Kosovo Serb in Gracanica
- Kosovo Serb National Council Executive Council Head Momcilo Trajkovic condemns injury of Kosovo Serb in Gracanica
- Kosovo Albanians stop their repatriation to Kosovo from Australia by filing charges with Australian judiciary
- Swiss Government to repatriate 40,000 Kosovo Albanians to Kosovo – Swiss Justice Minister
- Gypsy National Community of Kosovo celebrates 7 April as International Day of Gypsies, they send information on abuse and suffering of Gypsies in Kosovo to UN
- Civilian dies in fire in Novi Sad University building
- Novi Sad police arrest five persons suspected of setting
 Novi Sad University building on fire
- Radio Station 021, Radio Signal and TV Duga destroyed in University building fire
- World news
- Carla Del Ponte does not confirm statement by Deputy Prosecutor Graham Blewitt to Zagreb daily Jutarnji List that there are secret indictments for Oluja military operation
- Serb Orthodox Church celebrates Blagovesti holiday
- Culture
- Sports and Weather
- Pre-election silence from 7:00 on Friday to 19:00 on Saturday, and preliminary results of local election by Monday — OSCE
- RS economic delegation completes visit to Germany
- General situation of human rights in Yugoslavia is bad Belgrade Center for Human Rights Director Vojin Dimitrijevic
- Albanians from Kosovo, Macedonia, Albania and Montenegro

- meet with Kosovo Serbs and representatives of Serbian opposition parties hold meeting in Budapest organized by American Foundation Project for Ethnic Relation
- Kosovo Serb National Council (SNV) adviser Aleksandar Vidojevic says that Kosovo SNV should re-examine its participation in Kosovo Administrative Council after Kosovo Serb wounded in Gracanica
- World news
- Culture
- Banja Luka University Head Dragoljub Mirjanic meets with European Association of Deans' expert Alojz Kralj to discuss development of university faculties in RS
- New book for Banja Luka medicine faculty published Sports and weather