

OHR SRT News Summary, 29 April 1998

Headlines

- Payment of February pensions tomorrow
- President Plavsic visited military training ranges at Manjaca near Banja Luka
- Session of the RS National Assembly in Banja Luka on May 12 and 13
- Contact Group on Kosovo in Rome

RS President Biljana Plavsic, Minister of Defence Manojlo Milovanovic, Head of the General HQ of the RS Army Momir Talic and Commander of the I Corps Bosko Kelecevic today visited the military training ranges at Manjaca near Banja Luka, where training of reserve units of the I Corps of the RS Army is in progress.

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According to a decision made at today's meeting of the heads of caucuses and RS National Assembly Speaker Dragan Kalinic which was held in Bijeljina, the fifth session of the RS National Assembly will be held in Banja Luka on May 12 and 13. The agenda for the next session will contain more than 20 items for discussion.

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Activities concerning the issuing of passports, drivers, licences and licence plates were analysed at a meeting of the RS Interior Ministry Collegium held in Zvornik. In addition, the security situation in the RS was assessed after the recent events in Derventa and Doboj.

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At a press conference held in Banja Luka today,

representatives of the international organisations responsible for implementation of the DPA presented their views on the effects of the Regional Conference on Refugee Return held yesterday, recent events in Derventa and Drvar, the situation in the media and other issues related to successful DPA implementation.

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CG members met in Rome today in order to reach a joint standpoint on the Kosovo crisis, which, according to many assessments, threatens to destabilise the entire Balkan region.

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Identification of the 35 Serb bodies exhumed from mass graves in Bradina near Konjic started in Trebinje today.

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The trial of Alija Izetbegovic, indicted for numerous crimes committed during the last war in B&H, is continued in Banja Luka today.

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Payment of February pensions for 165,000 pensioners in the RS begins tomorrow.

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OHR Spokesperson, Aisling Byrne, denied today statements in the "New York Times" that a Tribunal would be established in B&H for the purpose of punishing radio and TV stations, newspapers and magazines which impede the peace-keeping process by their articles and propaganda. Byrne announced that the OHR and other international organisations in B&H would establish the Intermediate Media Standards and Licensing Commission. She said that the commission would also participate in drafting a law on regulating the work of the media, since such a law does not exist in B&H.

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