

# OHR SRT News Summary, 3 November 1998

## Headlines

- Inter party consultations on the eve of the RS NA session
- More frequent inter-Albanian conflicts in Kosovo
- General Talic received new RS Army officers
- Iraq crisis sharpening

Continuance of the RS NA session is scheduled for Wednesday at 11:00. On the eve of the session consultations of the Heads of caucuses and party presidents will be held. "The past few days have been used for intensive consultations between political parties in order to reach constructive agreement on continuance of the session trying to harmonise all interests of parties involved. I believe that parties will do everything to reach certain agreement which would end this first session of the RS NA. The biggest problems emerged on constituting of the Assembly leadership which was linked with constituting of other institutions, the Government before all".- Petar Djokic, RS NA Speaker said.

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Robert Gelbard talked with Biljana Plavsic, Milorad Dodik and Zivko Radisic about the necessity of a constructive approach to the forming of executive and legislative authority. Gelbard said that the RS political parties need to reach agreement on forming the Assembly leadership. "I hope it will be a positive decision".- Gelbard said. "Implementation of the [Dayton Agreement](#) is measured by actions not words"- Gelbard said, adding that it was no secret the U.S. believe Dodik achieved great progress and that positive changes have been made. Gelbard also said he had planned a meeting with the SDS President, Dragan Kalinic, for, as he said, "we have serious

questions for the SDS due to their past". Gelbard also met with the new RS President, Nikola Poplasen.

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Head of Public security in the Serbian Ministry of Interior, Vlastimir Djordjevic and Head of the diplomatic missions in Kosovo signed an agreement which allows Serbian police to have checkpoints at 5 roads in Kosovo with a precise number of police officers.

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One Kosovo Albanian was killed in Podujevo and one badly wounded near Lipljani- Pristina media centre says. KLA members were responsible for the incidents – accsording to the same source.

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"We have to experience certain transformations and we are heading in that direction in order to fit in with European standards and not to be wiped out from these areas."- Biljana Plavsic said at a press conference in Banja Luka. "In a wider context, the derailment of Ostoja Knezevic, who certainly did not think broadly about these things but in self interest, is intolerant".- Plavsic said.

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SPRS Spokesperson, Igor Radojicic said that the dismissal of Ostoja Knezevic indicates that SNS is determined to continue cooperation within Sloga and it will have the strength to keep its leadership in such a direction.

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"We feel that it is necessary to do everything, and we will give our full contribution, to go through all the items on the agenda and to establish the President and Vice President position. As for the Government, an adequate number of seats for the SDS, SRS and Serb coalition for the RS must be provided. Executive authority must be established in

accordance with the election results".- Dragan Kalinic said just before the last night's SDS Presidency session.

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"Main tasks from the RS Government programme for the implementation of the additional arbitrary decision for Brcko are being fulfilled and according to envisaged tempo".- Ostoja Kremenovic said after a session of the Commission for implementation of the additional arbitrary decision for Brcko.

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At the meeting between Spasoje Albijanic, Minister of Civil Affairs in the Council of Ministers, with an INTERPOL delegation it was agreed that the B&H INTERPOL headquarters will be located in Srpsko Sarajevo.

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The High Representative, Carlos Westendorp, thinks that consensus on forming the Assembly leadership and PM candidate will be reached at the continuance of the RS NA session.- Alexandra Stiglmayer said in Sarajevo.

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