OHR SRT News Summary, 8 March 1998

Headlines

- President Plavsic hosts the Greek Caravan of Solidarity: new scholarships to children of deceased soldiers
- Prime Minister Dodik returns from Linz: Aspiration of the RS – the wealthy state
- Situation in Kosovo and Metohija peaceful but tense
- Contact Group tomorrow in London about the Kosovo crisis

The RS wants to establish a wealthy society, the RS Prime Minister stated in Linz at a meeting with Serbs from B&H currently living in Austria. He announced the adoption of the new Law on privatisation, the war tax cessation, etc. He added that the RS Government was preparing an agreement with Croatia and Slovenia relating to the elimination of payment for visas.
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The Greek Caravan of Solidarity has donated new scholarships to the children of deceased soldiers in the RS. The RS President hosted members of the Caravan today in the House of Army in Banjaluka. So far this organisation has allocated 5,500 scholarships to children from 42 municipalities of the RS.
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Development in all parts of the RS will be evenhanded, is the summary of the RS Prime Minister's visit to Herzegovina today. The RS Government delegation considered the reconstruction of infrastructure in this part of RS and the water supply problems that this region is facing.
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Kosovo and Metohija: The Contact Group will meet tomorrow in

London. According to some sources, Belgrade will maintain its hard line attitude.

Ismail Cem, Turkish Minister of Foreign Affairs, spoke about the Kosovo crisis to the FRY President, S. Milosevic. The Yugoslav President stated that the problem of Kosovo was an internal affair of Yugoslavia and that it should not be internationalised.
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Albright and Kinkel spoke about the Kosovo crisis.
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Railways of RS is, from technical and organisational standpoints, ready to enter European and inter-entity traffic, this public company announced at today’s negotiations with the International Union of Railways in Paris.
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