UN Security Council resolution 943 (1994) on the closure of the border between the FRY and BiH with respect to all goods except foodstuffs, medical supplies and clothing for essential humanitarian needs

RESOLUTION 943 (1994)

Adopted by the Security Council at its 3428th meeting, on 23 September 1994

The Security Council,

Recalling all its earlier relevant resolutions,

Affirming its commitment to a negotiated settlement of the conflict in the

former Yugoslavia, preserving the territorial integrity of all the States there

within their internationally recognized borders,

Expressing appreciation for the efforts of the representatives of the

United Nations, the European Union, the United States of

America and the Russian Federation to assist the parties in reaching a settlement,

Welcoming the decision by the authorities of the Federal Republic of

Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) to support the proposed territorial

settlement (S/1994/1081) for the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina which has

been put to the Bosnian parties,

Also welcoming the decision by the authorities of the Federal Republic of

Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) to close the international border between the

Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) and the Republic of

Bosnia and Herzegovina with respect to all goods except foodstuffs, medical

supplies and clothing for essential humanitarian needs,

Further welcoming their decision to invite international assistance with

regard to the passage of supplies for essential humanitarian needs through the

border between the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) and

the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina,

Noting in this regard the letter of 19 September to the President of the

Security Council from the Secretary- General (S/1994/1074) conveying a report

from the Co-Chairmen of the Steering Committee of the International Conference

on the Former Yugoslavia (ICFY) on the establishment and commencement of

operations on an ICFY Mission to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro),

Calling upon the authorities of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia

and Montenegro) to maintain the effective closure of the border between the

Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) and the Republic of

Bosnia and Herzegovina with respect to all goods except foodstuffs, medical

supplies and clothing for essential humanitarian needs;

Noting that paragraph 9 of resolution 757 (1992) remains in force,

Acting under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations,

1.Decides that:

(i) the restrictions imposed by paragraph 7 of resolution 757 (1992),

paragraph 24 of resolution 820 (1993) with regard to aircraft which

are not impounded at the date of adoption of this resolution, and by

other relevant resolutions which relate to the provision of goods and

services, with respect to all civilian passenger flights to and from

Belgrade airport carrying only passengers and personal effects and no

cargo unless authorized under the procedures of the Committee established by resolution 724 (1991);

(ii) the restrictions imposed by paragraphs 24 and 28 of resolution

820 (1993) and by other relevant resolutions which relate to the

provision of goods and services, with respect to the ferry service

between Bar in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) and Bari in Italy carrying only passengers and personal

effects and no cargo unless authorized under the procedures of the

Committee established by resolution 724 (1991),

(iii) the measures imposed by paragraph 8 (b) and (c) of resolution

757 (1992) concerning participation in sporting events and cultural

exchanges

shall be suspended for an initial period of 100 days from the day following the

receipt by the Security Council of a report from the Secretary-General that the

Co- Chairmen of the Steering Committee of the International Conference on the

Former Yugoslavia have certified that the authorities of the Federal Republic of

Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) are effectively implementing their decision

to close the border between the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and

Montenegro) and the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina with respect to all goods

except foodstuffs, medical supplies and clothing for essential humanitarian

needs, and that arrangements are in place pursuant to the decision of the

authorities of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) to

invite international assistance with regard to the passage of supplies for

essential humanitarian needs through that border;

2. *Invites* the Committee established by resolution 724 (1991) to adopt

appropriate streamlined procedures for expediting its consideration of

applications concerning legitimate humanitarian assistance, in particular

applications from the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, and the

International Committee of the Red Cross;

3. Requests that every thirty days the Secretary-General submit to the

Security Council for its review a report as to whether the Co-Chairmen of the

Steering Committee of the International Conference on the Former Yugoslavia

certify that the authorities of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and

Montenegro) are effectively implementing their decision to close the border

between the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) and the

Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina with respect to all goods except foodstuffs,

medical supplies and clothing for essential humanitarian needs and *further*

requests the Secretary-General to report to the Council
immediately if he has

evidence, including from the Co-Chairmen of the Steering Committee of the

International Conference on the Former Yugoslavia, that those authorities are

not effectively implementing their decision to close the border;

4. Decides that if at any time the Secretary-General reports that the

authorities of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) are

not effectively implementing their decision to close the border, the suspension

of the measures referred to in paragraph 1 above shall terminate on the fifth

working day following the report of the Secretary-General, unless the Security

Council decides to the contrary;

5. Decides to keep the situation closely under review and to consider

further steps with regard to measures applicable to the Federal Republic of

Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) in the light of further progress in the situation;

6. Decides to remain actively seized of the matter.