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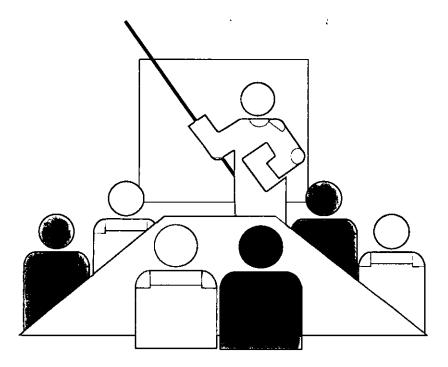
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#### International Trainer Manual

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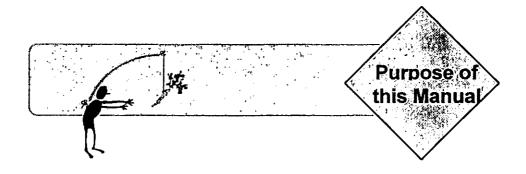
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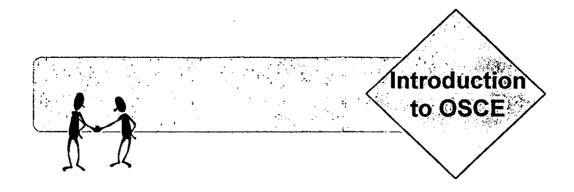


- This manual is an orientation guide for Bosnia and Herzegovina. It has been designed to help orient International Trainers, who are in BiH for the municipal elections, scheduled for September 97.
- The purpose of this manual is to give you a background knowledge of Bosnia and Herzegovina. This manual should be used as a tool in conjunction with the Registration Manual.
- In this manual you will find information on:
  - the OSCE
  - the Municipal Election process
  - the Commissions working toward the successful completion of the Municipal Elections
  - the Stabilisation Forces (SFOR) mission and the General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina
  - the basic translations for everyday and political use

## THE OSCE INTRODUCTION



What is the OSCE
When was the OSCE Created
What is the OSCE Mandate in BiH
Who makes up the OSCE Worldwide



#### What is the OSCE?

The organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) is a pan-European organisation whose **55** participating States span a geographical area from Vancouver to Vladivostok.

The OSCE takes a comprehensive view of security. Its bodies and institutions take a co-operative approach to a wide range of security-related issues including arms control, preventive diplomacy, confidence and security building measures, human rights, election monitoring and economic security.

All states participating in OSCE activities have equal status and decisions are made by consensus.

#### When was OSCE created?

The OSCE was created in the early 1970's under the name of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe (CSCE) to serve as a multilateral forum for dialogue and negotiation between East and West.

In November 1990 an important arms control agreement, the **Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe** (CFE), was negotiated within in the CSCE framework.

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Further developments came through a series of regular meetings, between 1990 and 1994 which established new mechanisms, offices, and principles for addressing the challenges of post-cold war Europe.

At the 1994 Budapest Summit, recognising that it was no longer simply a conference, the CSCE changed its name to the OSCE. This gave the Organisation new political impetus and also reflected its institutional development since the end of the Cold War.

Today the OSCE is taking a leading role in fostering security through cooperation in Europe. It works to achieve this goal by cooperating closely with other international and regional organisations and maintaining close links with numerous non-governmental organisations.

#### What is the OSCE mandate in BiH?

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On 21 November the OSCE Permanent Council agreed to extend the elections mandate of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina until **December 1997**.

The Permanent Council decision calls on the OSCE to "continue providing assistance for the preparation and conduct of municipal elections in 1997 and, when appropriate, to provide assistance for the establishment of a permanent election commission with respect to the elections scheduled to close the consolidation period."

#### Who makes up the OSCE Worldwide?

#### The OSCE is made up of the following 55 participating states:

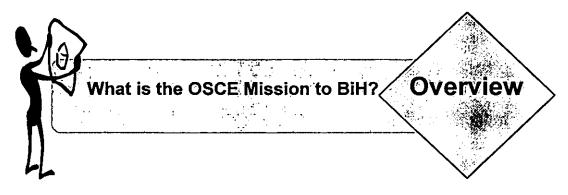
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1.	Albania	25.	Italy	49.	Turkey
2.	Andora	<b>26</b> .	Kazakhstan	50.	Turkmenistan
3.	Armenia	<b>27</b> .	Krgyzstan	51.	Ukraine
4.	Austria	28.	Latvia	52.	United Kingdom
5.	Azerbaijan	29.	Liechtenstein	<b>53</b> .	United States of America
6.	Belarus	30.	Lithuania	54.	Uzbekistan
7.	Belgium	31.	Luxembourg	55.	Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro [suspended])
8.	Bosnia and Herzegovina	32.	Malta		
9.	Bulgaria	33.	Moldova		
10.	Canada	34.	Monaco		
11.	Croatia	35.	Netherlands	P	artners for co-operation
12.	Cyprus	36.	Norway	***	
13.	Czech Republic	37.	Poland	1.	Japan
14.	Denmark	38.	Portugal	2.	Korea
15.	Estonia	39.	Romania		
16.	Finland	40.	Russian Federation		
17.	France	41.	San Marino	Mediterranean partners for co-operation	
18.	Georgia	42.	Slovak Republic		
19.	Germany	42.	Slovinia	1.	Algeria
20.	Greece	44.	Spain	2.	Egypt
21.	Holy See	45.	Sweden	3.	Israel
<b>22</b> .	Hungary	46.	Switzerland	4.	Morocco
23.	Iceland	47.	Tajikistan	<b>5</b> .	Tunisia
24.	Ireland	48.	The Former Yugoslav		
Republic of Macedonia					

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**Overview**What is the OSCE Mission to BiH



Overview of the General Framework Agreement for Peace OSCE Mission Organisational Structure in BiH



#### Overview of the General Framework Agreement for Peace

Initialed on November 21, 1995, and signed in Paris on 14 December 1995, by the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Croatia and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, identified an important role for OSCE in:

- 1) supervising the electoral process in Bosnia and Herzegovina; for the 1997 Municipal Elections
- 2) monitoring Human Rights
- 3) assisting the parties in facilitating arms control and confidence security building measures

In Annex 3 of the General Framework Agreement for Peace, Parties undertake to ensure that:

- conditions exist for the organisation of free and fair elections
- there is protection and enforcement of the **right to vote in**secret without fear or intimidation
- there is **freedom** of expression, association and movement

The Agreement requires the OSCE to ensure whether conditions exist for the effective holding of elections and to supervise their preparation and conduct.

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#### OSCE Mission Organisational Structure in BiH

The Mission has its Head Office in Sarajevo and is led by United States Ambassador Robert H. Frowick as Head of Mission (HoM). There are 26 Field Offices, 5 Regional Centres, and 5 Supplemental Election Offices established throughout the country, with a total number of approximately 200 international staff members.

#### The Regional Centres are staffed with the following positions:

RC Director International Staff RC Deputy Director International Staff General Diplomat International Staff Senior Election Officer International Staff Human Rights Officer International Staff **Democratisation Officer** International Staff Core Supervisor International Staff International Supervisor International Staff International Trainer International Staff Local Core Trainer Local Staff **Logistics Officer** International Staff Communication Officer **Local Staff** Administrative Officer **Local Staff** 

Local Staff as required secretaries, interpreters, drivers, etc.

#### The Field Office are staffed with the following positions:

Head of Office International Staff **Democratisation Officer** International Staff **Human Rights Officer** International Staff **Election Officer** International Staff Core Supervisor International Staff International Supervisor International Staff International Trainer International Staff **Local Core Trainer Local Staff** 

**Local Trainer** 

Local Staff as required secretaries, interpreters, drivers, etc.

Local Staff

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#### Telephone List

Location	PTT PHONE	PTT FAX	SAT PHONE	SAT FAX	MOBITEL
MISSION HEAD OFFICE Sara Election Supervision	+ 387 - 71 / 444 444 EXT 120	+ 387 - 71 / 442 479	M= + 871-682 322 294	M= + 871-682 322 286, A= +871-15 44 310	
	External - country code 387, delete first 0				
FO Sarajevo	071/667-933, 071/667-934, 071/444 444 EXT 251	071/665-852	NOT INSTALLED	NOT INSTALLED	
Gorazde	073/224-673	073/224-673	0087+/682-322-411	0087+/682-322-413	
(RC/FO/Blinac	077/224-929, 077/331-135	077/331-136	00-871-682-322-276	00-871-682-322-277	00-385- 99-453- 326
Drvar	To be confirmed				
Livno	080/21-855	080/21-610	00-873-682-322-415	00-873-682-322-417	00-385- 99-453- 327
Sanski Most	079/86-329	079/86-329	00-873-682-322-393	00-87-682-322-395	
Velika Kladusa	077/777-085	077/777-085	00-873-682-322-466	00-873-682-322-468	00-385- 99-454- 919
RC Sokolač	00381/71-868-469, 00381/71-868- 141	00381/71-868-489	00-873-682-322-273	00-873-682-322-274	
FO Sokolac	00381/71-868-159 or ext 11 (RC)	00381/71-868-159	00-873-682-322-273	00-873-682-322-274	
Bijeljina	00381/76-42-785	00381/76-42-785	00-871-682-322-336	00-871-682-322-337	
Zvornik	00381/76-588-296	00381/76-588-296	00-871-682-322-327	00-871-682-322-328	
Trebinje	To be confirmed				
Srbinje/Foca	00381/73-575-978	00381/73-575-978	00-871-682-322-366	00-871-682-322-368	
Visegrad	00381/73-683-143	00381/73-683-143	00-871-682-322-431	00-871-682-322-433	

RC/FO Tuzla	075/250-078, 075/224-415, 075/236-335,	075/250-564	00-871-682-322-279	00-871-682-322-280
	075/224-414, 075/250-079			
Zenica	072/415-737	072/412-293	00-871-682-322-389	00-871-682-322-391
Vares	071/650-565	071/845-854	00-871-682-322-374	00-871-682-322-376
Orasje	086/713-660	086/713-660	00-871-682-322-362	00-871-682-322-364
Srebrenik	To be confirmed			
RC/FO Mostar	088/317-771	088/317-759	00-871-682-322-458	00-871-682-322-460
Bugojno	070/44-151	070/44-151	00-871-682-322-385	00-871682-322-387
Jablanica	088/752-200	088/752-200	00-871-682-322-446	00-871-682-322-448
Capljina	085/801-410, 085/804-234	085/801-410	00-871-682-322-462	00-871-682-322-464
Siroki Brijeg	088/705-277	088/705-277	00-871-682-322-442	00-871-682-322-444
Vitez	To be confirmed			
RC/FO Banja Luka	00381/78-17-111	00381/78-48-478	00-873-682-322-397	00-873-682-322-399
Prijedor	00381/79-11-605	00381/79-11-445	00-871-682-322-423	00-871682-322-425
Prnjavor	To be confirmed			
Doboj	00381/74-41-355	00381/74-41-381	00-871-682-322-333	00-871-682-322-334
Mrkonjic Grad	00381/70-11-446	00381/70-11-419	00-871-682-322-358	00-871-682-322-360
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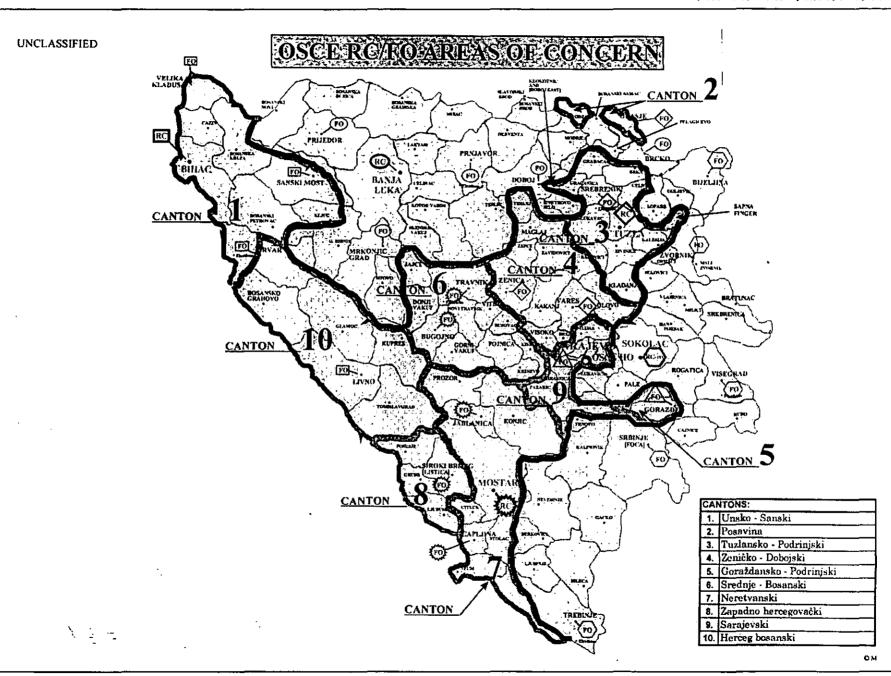
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#### **OSCE Organisational Chart** 1.005.00 PREAD OF MISSION and PEC Charman Amb. R. Frowick PEC Dep: Chairman and Senior Counsel PEC Legal Advisor 24 March, 1997 Senior Deputy Hom? Gerry Robinson Amh R. Ellerkmann Chief of Opns/JEOC PECMember, PEC Executive Techn Advisors Exec. Assist, to DHoM Jain Johnston Advisor for El. Secretary Milan Zjajic DHoM, Dir-Gen, Elections Hank Nichols Debora Schein Ant Jaksic Vitadada Kustura THE PARTY OF THE P Linda Edgeworth El Appeals Sub-Future Municip. Sub-Comm. Media Experts Dep. Dir-General Commission Y Citizenship Verlin Sub-Comm Commission -Sp. Adv. to DHOM Dif Int Technics Roger Plath Dir. - Voter Registr. Dir. Voter Ed/Train Dir Out-of-Dir .- Polit.Party Dir - El. Supervision Director of JEOC Dir. - El. Services Country Voting Diana Cepeda Chr. Christensen Svcs./Legal Counsel Peter Erben **Bud Slatery** Rod MacKenna Brenda Opperman Carol Conragan Dept Dicting Technology Dep.Dit.- Training Dep.Dir.-Voter Reg. Dep.Dir.-El. Superv. Dep.Dir. - El Serv. Dep. Dir. Col B. Griffins 11. Young Dick Jordan Malla Scanian Dep.Dir.-PPS Elizabeth Hume Anatoli Stepaniouk Producer; Data System Develop! Registr. Asst. 32 Operations Coord. Operations Off Manager, El. Oper. Maj C Canhard: Fitzgerald Jean /8" LTCE Clossens: Co. Claus Hoegh-Gulberg PPS Officer Administr, Coord. RC Linison Supervisor Logistics Coordin. Program Coordinator Sam Schaefer Alex Finnan Czeslaw Sarnas Asst. to Dir. (E. Shoux) Chief Elections Officer Logistics Squn Ldr P. Berry Manager - El Plann. GIMIC OFF Mei S. Brennan Dir Electronic Media H. Stohler R, John وتورية Tech. Writer L Schweije T-Markert V Reg Cen/Poll Sta. Elec Svcs Ops 🔗 Print Media Coorda Assist. to CEO LTC:Y, Normand Mal Do Thakur 🤝 Tech Writer G. Weiss N Mouios. CIMIC - CONTROL Press Office Lo Voter, Ed Coord Mai D. Beplay D: Weltz School St Clerk: ASSG V. Ring Training Officer. \* - Weisbaum Region Linison (3) Vuter Ed. Officer Voter Ed. Officer hold RC SOKOLAC RC TUZLA RC BANJA LUKA RC BIRAC RC MOSTAR FO SARAJEVO FO GORAZDE 1 Sr. El. Officer 1 Sr. El. Officers 1 Sr. El. Officer 1 Sr. El. Officer 1 Sr. El. Officer 1 Sr. El. Officer 1 El Officer 2 El. Officers 1 El. Officer 2 El. Officers 2 El. Officers 2 El. Officers 4 El. Officers FOs: Prijedor i FOs: Zenica - 1 FOs: Sokolac - I FOs: Bugoino - 1 FOs: Livno - I - Positions not on Election Budget Doboi - I Caplina -1 Orașie - I V.Kladusa - I Srbinic - I - to be reopened as Election Offices S.Most -1 Zvornik - 1 Vares -1 Brcko - 1 S.Brijeg - t Note: in addition 5 El. Officers to be Bijeljina - 1 \* Srebrenik - 1 M. Grad - 1 \* Dryar - 1 Jablanica I \* Prnjavor - 1 \* Vitez/Travnik - 2 assigned to FOs in sensitive areas \*Trebinje - l Visegrad - I

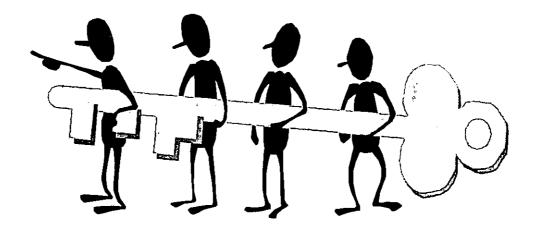


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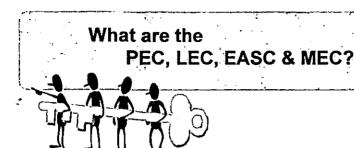


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### Commissions What are the PEC, LEC, EASC & MEC



Provisional Election Commission
Role and Authority of the PEC
Responsibilities of the Local Election Commission
Relationship of the LEC with the PEC
The Election Appeals Sub-Commission
The Media Experts Commission





#### **Provisional Election Commission (PEC)**

The Provisional Election Commission (PEC) is composed of one representative from Bosnia and Herzegovina, one representative from Republika Srpska, one from the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and four representatives from the international community. Chairman of the Commission is the OSCE Head of Mission. The PEC adopts electoral rules and regulations regarding such matters as:

- the registration of political parties, coalitions and independent candidates
- the eligibility of candidates and voters
- the role of domestic and international elections observers
- the ensuring of an open and fair election campaign
- the establishment, publication and certification of definitive election results

The Parties shall comply fully with the electoral rules and regulations; internal laws and regulations notwithstanding.

The PEC determined that all eligible citizens must register to vote in order to cast a ballot on election day.

Eligibility to vote will still be based on the 1991 Census as adjusted for use in the 14 September 1996 Elections, as set forth in Annex 3 of the General Framework Agreement for Peace. The 1991 Census will be available at all Voter Registration Centres.

A complete and new voter register is imperative realising the international standards required for the municipal elections.

Elections will be held over two days, 13 and 14 September 1997, with at least one international supervisor present at each of the approximate 2,300 polling stations.



### Role and Authority of Provisional Election Commission Members of the PEC

- Ambassador Robert H. Frowick, Head of OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina - Chairman of the PEC
- Representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina, (No representative at the time of print)
- Mr. Slobodan Kovac, Representative of the Republika Srpska
- Mr. Mirko Boskovic, Representative of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina
- W.G. Robinson, Deputy Chairman and Senior Legal Counsel from OSCE
- Ms. Deborah Schein, Representative from the OSCE
- Mr Peter Sorensen, Designee of the Office of the High Representative

#### The deputies of the Parties are:

Mr Radivoje Duvnjak Republika Srpska

Ms Lidija Korac

Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Mr Hilmo Pasic

Bosnia and Herzegovina

### The Commission adopts **electoral rules and regulations** regarding:

- voters
- candidates and political parties
- observers
- the campaign
- establishment, publication and certification of the election

Having adopted the above rules and regulations, the mandate of the Commission includes:

- supervising the electoral process
- ensuring the institutional framework
- determining voter registration provisions
- ensuring compliance with the rules and regulations
- ensuring remedying violation against the rules and regulations
- accrediting observers
- ensuring that the Parties grant unimpeded access to observers

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#### Responsibilities of the Local Election Commission (LEC)

Local Election Commissions are appointed by the appropriate authorities in each municipality. Membership on the LECs includes representatives of the political parties and independent candidates selected on a lottery system.

- LECs shall be responsible for the conduct of the elections under the supervision of the OSCE and the Rules and Regulations adopted by the PEC.
- Local Election Commissions shall provide staff for the:

registration process

voting (polling station committees)

absentee voting

counting

Local Election Commissions shall provide space, furniture, utilities etc for the:

registration offices

polling stations

absentee voting polling stations

counting centres

training

The Local Election Commissions, shall provide transport and security for materials from OSCE Field Offices to and from Voter Registration Centres and Polling Stations. Some of these materials include:

1991 Census as adjusted for use in the 14 September 1996 Elections

preliminary voter's register

final voter's register

voting materials

ballot boxes

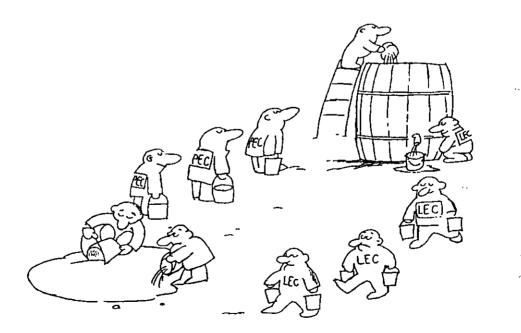
The Local Election Commission, under secured supervision of the OSCE and the PEC, shall provide warehousing for election materials and supplies as needed. The Local Election Commission members attend meetings and training sessions presented by OSCE trainers for the:

registration process
absentee voting process
voting process
counting

- The LEC maintains applicable records
- The LEC assists with the distribution of election information and voter education materials

#### Relationship of the Local Election Commission (LEC) with the PEC

- Authorised agents of the PEC, Election Officers, international supervisors, observers and other members of the international community accredited by the PEC may have access to all documents, records and be permitted to attend working groups, planning meetings and official sessions of the LECs.
- The names of all members of the LECs are submitted to the PEC for approval within 15 days of their appointment.
- Changes in the composition of the LECs also require the approval of the PEC.



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#### The Election Appeals Sub-Commission

The Election Appeals Sub-Commission (EASC) adjudicates complaints regarding the electoral process referred to it by the PEC, the Media Experts Commission (MEC), political parties, independent candidates and individuals. The EASC has the right to impose appropriate penalties and/or fines against any individual, candidate, party or body that violates the Rules and Regulations established by the PEC.

When it determines that violations of the principles laid down in the General Framework Agreement for Peace or in the rules adopted by the PEC have occurred, the EASC may:

- prohibit a political party from running in the elections
- decertify a party listed on the ballot
- remove candidates from a party list
- \* remove an independent candidate from the ballot

#### The Media Experts Commission

The Media Experts Commission (MEC) and the Media Experts Sub-Commission of each of the OSCE Regional Centres, have among other things the following responsibilities:

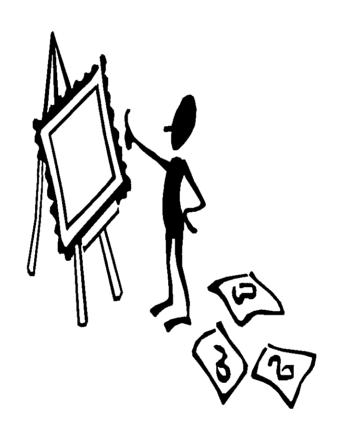
- to monitor the fulfilment by the parties of their obligations to ensure the security of journalists and their freedom of movement and unhindered pursuits of their professional activities
- to monitor the compliance of the media in providing equitable access for all political parties and candidates participating in the elections campaign

The Commission has the power to require broadcast or publication of selected materials, to recommend fines to the PEC, and take other appropriate action in cases of breaches of the media regulations by the Government, or a serious failure by any of the media to observe the Standards of Professional Conduct for the Media and journalists.

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#### Criteria



What are the Criteria for Holding the 1997 Municipal Elections in BiH



What are the Criteria for Holding the Elections in BiH?

Criteria

General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina - ANNEX 3 ON ELECTIONS: Article I, provides:

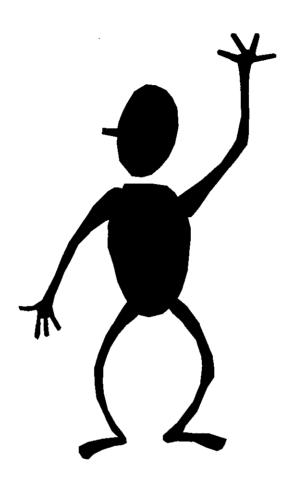
- The Parties: shall ensure that conditions exist for the organisation of free and fair elections, in particular, a politically neutral environment; shall protect and enforce the right to vote in secret without fear or intimidation; shall ensure freedom of expression and of the press; shall allow and encourage freedom of association (including of political parties); and shall ensure freedom of movement.
- 2) The Parties: request the OSCE to certify whether elections can be effective under current social conditions in both Entities and, if necessary, to provide assistance to the Parties in creating these conditions.
- The Parties: shall comply fully with paragraphs 7 and 8 of the Document of the Second Meeting of the Conference on the Human Dimension of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe, Copenhagen, 1990.

To ensure that the will of the people serves as the basis of the authority of government, the participating states shall:

- hold free elections at reasonable intervals, as established by law
- permit all seats in at least one chamber of the national legislature to be freely contested in a popular vote
- guarantee universal and equal suffrage to adult citizens

- ensure that votes are cast by secret ballot or by equivalent free voting procedures, and that they are counted and reported honestly with the official results made public
- respect the right of individuals and groups to establish, in full freedom, their own political parties or other political organisations and provide such political parties and organisations with the necessary legal guarantees to enable them to compete with each other on a basis of equal treatment before the law and by the authorities
- ensure that law and public policy work to permit political campaigning to be conducted in a fair and free manner

# Electoral System Including Political Structure and Government



Overview
Political Structures
Government
Who can Vote
Who can Run
Political Structure Charts



#### Overview



Under the General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Croatia and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia requested that the OSCE supervise the preparation and conduct of the elections in Bosnia and Herzegovina.



The Agreement obliges the Parties to ensure that conditions exists for the organisation of free and fair elections, including the right to vote without fear of intimidation. The parties shall also ensure freedom of expression, and of the press, and freedom of association and of movement.



Officials elected **directly by the people** will assume their offices no later than 30 days following the elections.

#### **Political Structure**



Bosnia and Herzegovina is a legal continuation of the former "Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina." The state consists of two entities: The Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Republika Srpska, and shall operate under a federal system of government with power sharing provisions and proportional representation in the legislature.

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#### **Political Structures**

Bosnia and Herzegovina: Institutional Structure and Results of the 14 September 1996 Elections (Excluding Cantonal Election Results):

Tripartite Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina					
(Elected - Representing the Muslim, Croat and Serbian Communities)					
Name and Candidate (Name of Party)	Votes Won				
Alija Izebegovic (Party of Democratic Action)	730,592				
Kresimir Zubak (Croat Democratic Action)	330,477				
Momcilo Krajsnik (Serb Democratic Party)	690,646				

Parliamentary Assembly					
Comprising two Chambers House of Representatives and House of Peoples					
House of Representatives					
42 seats elected: two-thirds from the Territory of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and one-third from the Republika Srpska					
Federation of Bosnia and Herze	govina	Republika Srpska			
Party of Democratic Action	16	Serb Democratic Party	9		
Croat Democratic Union	8	Party of Democratic Action	3		
Party of Bosnia and Herzegovina	2	People's Union for Peace			
<u>-</u>		and Progress	2		
United Party List of Bosnia and Herzegovina (SDP BiH, UBSD, HSS MBO,					

#### **House of Peoples**

Total:

2

28

15 Seats designated: 5 x Croat, 5 x Bosniacs, i.e.,: two-thirds from the Territory of the Federation and 5 Serbs from the Republika Srpska, i.e.,: one-third

Republikanci)

Total:

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Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina		Republika Srpska		
Presidency (Designated by House of Representatives)		Presidency of Republika Srpska (Elected)		
Kresimir Zubak (Croat Democratic Union)		Biljana Plavsic (Serb Democratic Party)	633,654	
Federation Assembly (Comprising House of Representatives of Representatives of Federation of Bosnia and Herze (Elected)	of	National Assembly of Republika Srpska (Elected)	•	
Party of Democratic Action Croat Democratic Union United List of Bosnia and	78 36	Serb Democratic Party Party of Democratic Action Peoples Union for Peace	45 14	
Herzegovina (UNSD, SDP Bih, Repblikanci, HSS MBO)	11	and Progress	10	
Party of Bosnia and Herzegovina	10	Serb Radical Party of Republika Srpska	6	
Democratic Peoples Union Croatian Rights Party	3 2	Party of Bosnia and Herzegovina Democratic Patriotic Block		
		of Republika Srpska United List (SDP BiH, UBSD,	2	
		MBO, HSS) Serb Patriotic Party Serb Party for Krajina	2 1 1	
Total:	140	Total:	83	
House of Peoples (Selected by Cantonal Assembl	ies)			
Ten Cantonal Assemblies (Elected)				

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#### Governments

#### Bosnia and Herzegovina

The Institutions of Bosnia and Herzegovina are responsible for the following:

foreign policy
foreign trade
customs
immigration
monetary policy
Inter-Entity communications
transportation
international and Inter-Entity law enforcement
financing of government operations

#### The Four Main Offices:

The Executive Branch consists of a three-person Presidency (one Serb, one Croat and one Bosniac) and a Council of Ministers. The first Presidency will sit for two years, subsequent ones for four.

The Legislative Branch consists of a 15 person House of Peoples, selected by the Entity legislatures and a 42-member House of Representatives, elected directly by the population. Two-thirds of each House are from the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The Judiciary consists of a constitutional court with nine members; four selected by the Federation, two selected by the Republika Srpska and the last three appointed by the President of the European Court of Human Rights. The Constitutional Court is responsible for upholding the Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The Monetary Branch consists of a central bank which has the sole authority for issuing currency and for establishing monetary policy throughout Bosnia and Herzegovina. The Governing Board of the bank, for the first six years, consists of a governor appointed by the International Monetary Fund and three members appointed by the Presidency (Bosniac, Croat and Serb).

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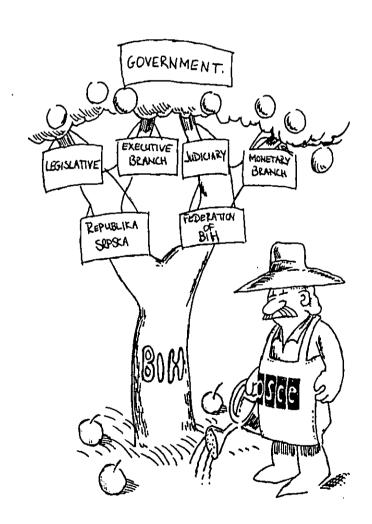
#### Four Branches of Government

# Legislative Branch House of Peoples House of Representatives

#### **Executive Branch**

Judiciary

#### **Monetary Branch**



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#### The Republika Srpska

This Entity comprises 49 percent of the total territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

It has its **own Presidency and National Assembly** and local government at the municipal level. The members are directly-elected.

Its government retains all powers not specifically granted by the Constitution.

#### The Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina

This Entity comprises 51 percent of the total territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Its government comprises a Presidency, House of Representatives and House of Peoples, and local government at the cantonal and municipal levels.

Municipal and cantonal authorities and members of the House of Representatives are elected directly by citizens. Members of the House of Peoples are elected by the cantons. The Presidency is elected by the two legislative houses.

Its government retains all powers not specifically granted by the Constitution.

#### Who Can Vote:

### Annex 3 Article IV of The General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina states that:

- \*Any citizen of Bosnia and Herzegovina aged 18 or older, whose name appears on the 1991 Census for Bosnia and Herzegovina shall be eligible, in accordance with electoral Rules and Regulations to vote "
- "A citizen who no longer lives in the municipality in which he or she resided in 1991, shall, as a general rule, be expected to vote in person or by absentee ballot, in that municipality.... Such a citizen may, however, apply to the Commission to cast his or her ballot elsewhere."

#### Who Can Run

#### Registration Procedures:

Political Parties, coalitions, and independent candidates (hereinafter, parties and candidates) must register to participate in the 1997 Municipal Elections.

#### Who registers and when?

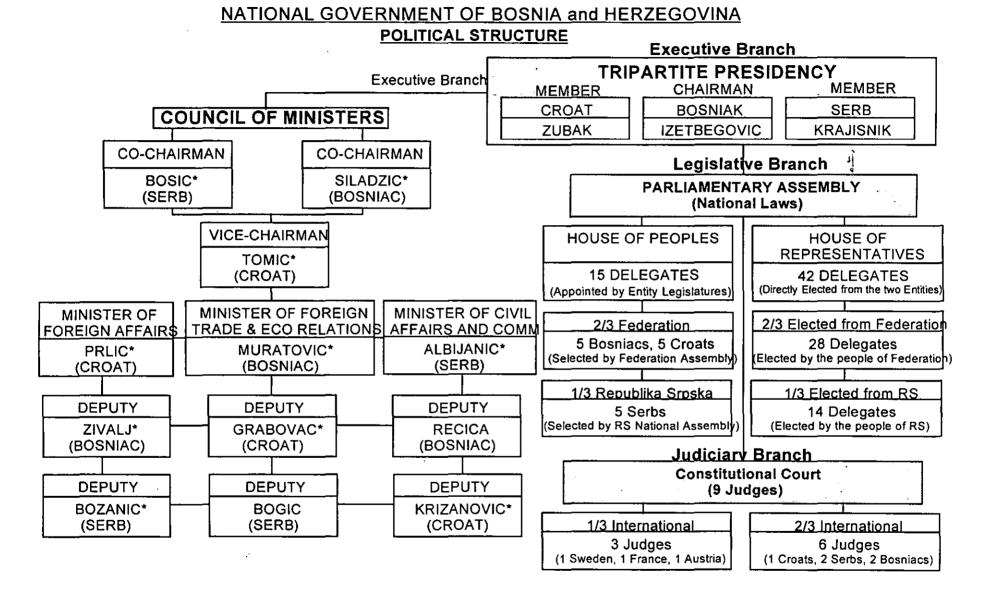
This year, parties, coalitions and independent candidates that were registered for the 14 September 1996 Elections do not need to re-register, but must submit a Confirmation Form, confirming their intention to participate in the 1997 Municipal Elections. They also must indicate in which municipalities they intend to participate.

Political parties will register first, and once approved, coalitions, made up of two or more registered political parties, will have the opportunity to register. Independent candidates may also register to run for office.

Independent candidates may only participate in the municipality in which they are registered to vote and they must register to vote from 5 May to 17 May. Any interested candidate that does not register within this time period will not be eligible to participate.

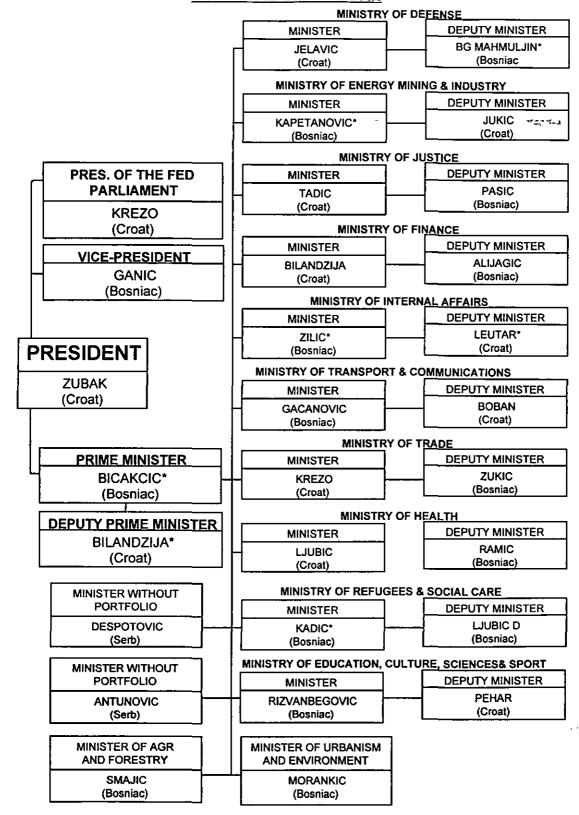
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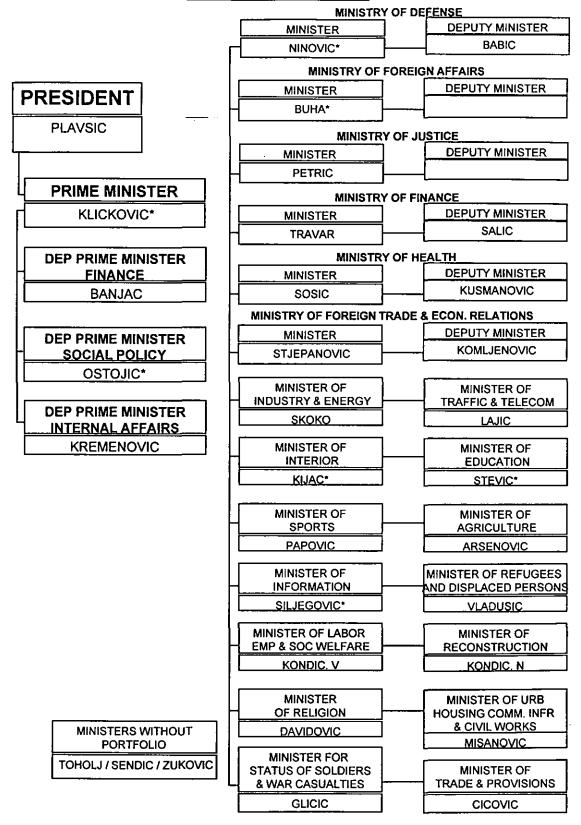
### FEDERATION OF BOSNIA and HERZEGOVINA POLITICAL STRUCTURE



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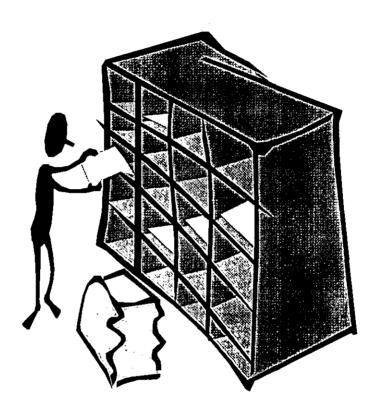
# REPUBLIKA SRPSKA POLITICAL STRUCTURE



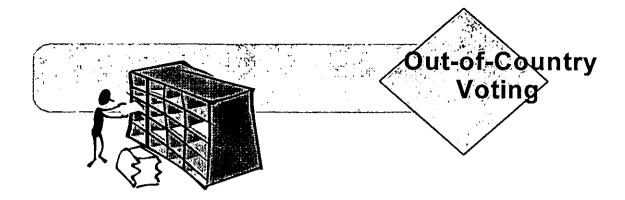
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### **Out-of-Country Voting**



Overview
International Organisation for Migration
Municipal Election Phases
Pre-Registration Phase
Registration Phases
Future Municipality
Adjudication and Appeals
Processing of Out-of-Country Voter Registration Forms
Training
Supervision



**Voter registration** and balloting for BiH citizens living outside of BiH borders will be conducted by the OSCE Out-of-Country Voting Program (OCV). In order to carry out these tasks, OCV works in conjunction with the International Organisation for Migration (IOM), an OSCE-contracted international organisation.

To advise OSCE and IOM in implementing the Out-of-Country Voting programme, the OCV Steering Board has been established.

The Steering Board is chaired by Dr Jorgen Elklit, a representative of the OSCE Chairman-in-Office. Other members will be representatives from the office of the OSCE Secretary General, OSCE BiH, IOM, as well as other participating organisations.

### International Organisation for Migration (IOM)

OSCE has signed a **Memorandum of Understanding** (MOU) with **IOM** to manage the voter registration and balloting programme for BiH citizens living outside of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

IOM will provide operational and management expertise. In general, IOM is responsible for operating OCV offices in Vienna, Austria and Bonn, Germany as well as Voter Registration Centres in Belgrade, The Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (FRY), Zagreb, Croatia and Bonn, Germany.

In addition, IOM manages the **By-Mail Registration** and **voting programme** for Out-of-Country voters in **other countries**.

### **Municipal Election Phases**

The **administration** of the municipal election and registration process for Out-of-Country Voting is composed of two phases:

- I Pre-Registration Phase
- 2 Registration Phase

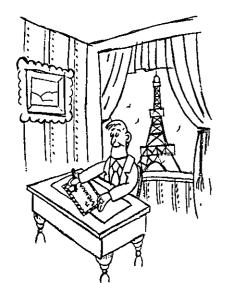
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### Pre Registration Phase - Key Points:

- establishment of program infrastructure
- negotiations with the refugee host governments, concerning their participation
- establishment of Out-of-Country Voter Registration Centres in Vienna, Bonn, Belgrade and Zagreb (currently planned are 25 Voter Registration Centres in Croatia, 35 Voter Registration Centres in FRY and one Voter Registration Centre each in Austria and Germany)
- distribution of voter education, training and election information materials; coordination and training of Registration Supervisors
- recruitment and training of Future Municipality Adjudicators who will determine the eligibility of Out-of-Country voters to vote in municipalities where they intend to reside when they return to BiH

### Registration Phase - Key Points:

The purpose of the Out-of-Country Voter Registration Programme is to register citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina currently residing outside the borders of BiH to vote in the 1997 Municipal Elections.





### Organisation

OCV registration will occur in-person at Out-of-Country Voter Registration Centres in FRY and Croatia for BiH citizens residing in those countries and by mail through OCV offices in Austria and Germany for all other countries.

Whether stationary or mobile, all Out-of-Country Voter Registration Centres will be supervised by international staff.



# Mail-In Registration (All Countries. With the Exception of FRY And Croatia)

Any eligible voter wishing to cast a ballot must first register to vote. Voter registration applicants who register by mail can obtain Out-of-Country Voter Registration Forms at various NGO/IO offices and government offices located in their host countries. In many cases, Out - of - County Registration Forms will also be sent, by the host government, directly to BiH citizens residing abroad.

Applicants will fill out the voter registration forms and submit them by mail with any required identification documentation (photocopies, not originals) to the OCV office in Vienna. BiH citizens residing in Germany should mail their registration form and documentation to the OCV office in Bonn. Those who are deemed ineligible according to PEC Rules and Regulations will be informed of this status. Those who are deemed eligible, according to the Rules and Regulations, will be issued an OCV Registration Receipt by mail.

### 比 In-Person Registration In FRY And Croatia

The voter registration process in FRY and Croatia will essentially parallel the registration process conducted within the borders of BiH. Applicants will complete scannable registration forms in person at Out-of-Country Voter Registration Centres and Voter Registration Committee staff will verify voter eligibility.

Eligible voters will be issued an **OCV Voter Registration Receipt**. Those who are deemed ineligible according to PEC Rules and Regulations will be informed of this status.

Scannable OCV registration forms will be tracked and collected at Out-of-Country Registration Centres in FRY and Croatia. These forms will be bulk-shipped to Sarajevo on a regular basis for cross - checking and eventual compilation for a Final Voters Register.

# Voter Eligibility For Both Mail-In And In-Person Registration

Out-of-Country Voter Registration Staff working in the Out-of-Country Voter Registration Centres are responsible for **verifying voter registration** applicants' voter eligibility, as well as informing registrants of their eligibility.

Those whose names have been located on the 1991 Census or who have provided other proof of citizenship, will be issued a OCV Voter Registration Receipt and instructions concerning the upcoming balloting process.

Those whose names cannot be verified as eligible voters will be informed of their ineligibility.

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### **Future Municipality**

Only BiH citizens residing outside of BiH are eligible to apply to vote in a Future Municipality. Eligible voters who wish to vote in a Future Municipality of intended residence must first complete a registration form specifying their request to apply to vote in a municipality of intended residence, and submitting the form in person to an OCV Voter Registration Centre, in FRY and Croatia or by mail, if residing outside of FRY and Croatia.

Applicants whose voter eligibility has been verified will be issued a receipt verifying their status as an Out-of-Country Future Municipality applicant. These applicants must then submit this receipt and the required documentation in person to a designated Future Municipality Voter Registration Centre located in their municipality of intended residence in BiH.

### **Adjudication and Appeals**

Applications for registering in a municipality of future residence will be reviewed by an Adjudicator.

Eligible voters whose future municipality application is denied have the option to appeal this decision to the Future Municipality Sub-Commission and may choose to vote in their 1991 municipality, as designated on their initial registration form.

### **Processing of Out-of-Country Voter Registration Forms**

The OCV office in Vienna will develop and maintain computerised records of all registered voters and will forward this information on a regular (weekly) basis to OSCE BiH in order to cross check the out-of-country data with in-country data for double registrations.

### Training

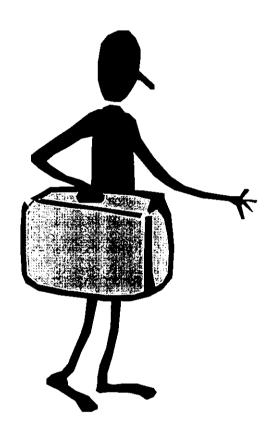
All OCV staff will receive training. Five OCV trainers will be contracted by IOM and formally trained by the OSCE Voter Education and Training Department in Sarajevo. These trainers will then train international supervisors and OCV Voter Registration Centre core and support staff out in the field.

### Supervision

There will be 100% international supervision at all Out of Country Voter Registration Centres located in FRY, Croatia, Austria and Germany.

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### For Your Information



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# Some information to ease your life while in Sarajevo

# For Your Information

### A Brief History of Yugoslavia

Until 1991, Yugoslavia (the land of the southern Slavs) was a political entity located in southern Europe, in the Balkan peninsula. It was bordered by 7 countries: Italy, Austria, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Greece, Albania and the Adriatic Sea.

Yugoslavia was established on 1<sup>st</sup> December 1918 after the fall of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. This was affirmed on 19<sup>th</sup> January 1919 by the Treaty of Paris as the kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes. According to the first Census in 1921, it had about 13,100,000 inhabitants. From 1929 to the Second World War it was the Kingdom of Yugoslavia. The second Yugoslavia was established in 1943 and became the Democratic Federal Yugoslavia.

In 1953 there were a few territories established and the official name became the Social Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. It was made up of six republics: Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro, Macedonia and Slovenia.

Slovenia separated in June 1991, Croatia in September 1991, Macedonia in February 1992 and Bosnia and Herzegovina in April 1992. By that time Yugoslavia ceased to exist. By the last Census, in 1991, there were 24,100,000 inhabitants. The Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (FRY) consists of Serbia and Montenegro.

Bosnia and Herzegovina consists of two entities, the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Republika Srpska.

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### Places to Eat and Drink



Eating out is not a problem, here in Sarajevo. If you are looking for local and traditional specialities, or home style pizzas and hamburgers, all can be found here.

The local dishes are reasonably priced, and there are many cafes dotted around town. The main local dishes are burek and cevapchechi. For a better choise of meals, there are a number of restaurants to choose from that serve traditional Bosnian style and more Western cuisine.

Pizza places are again not hard to find as the neon signs promote these types of restaurants. There are one or two good hamburger places, which are also take away. You can also get hamburgers and hot sandwiches from the small stalls dotted along the streets.

#### Places to have Coffee

Take your choice. Drop into any coffee bar that you see that looks good to you and ask for the cappuccino, espresso or caj. Most of these places serve cakes too - so you may have to watch your waistline and teeth.

### Markets / Food Shopping

There is an open market, in the center of town, that has most of your fruit, vegetable and dry goods needs. It also has some household item that you may not be able to get in regional areas. There is an indoor market, diagonally opposite the open market, that sells meat, cheese and eggs etc., with various small supermarkets for dry goods.

The stores are now well supplied and all the prices seem to be consistent from one shop to another.

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### **Security**



Please note: although Sarajevo is a relatively 'safe' city, the usual precautions pertaining to your own welfare and possessions need to be kept in mind. Also, please be careful when walking on the main roads. Some of the drivers are not as careful as they could be, especially at night.

### **Getting Around Town**



Walking, taking the tram, bus or taxi are the usual way of getting about. Sarajevo is a city of 'one way' streets and paved areas. In certain cases it is easier to walk.

If you want to take a tram, it will cost 1DM. Please do not forget to punch the ticket in the red boxes on the trams.

Taxi's are easy. Hail one, tell them where you are going and ensure the metre is on. They are not very expensive. If you need to call for a taxi the number is 652 131. Beware!, they are VERY swift, so do not call until you are absolutely ready to leave.

### **Culture and Entertainment**



There are several cinemas in Sarajevo, with their programmes being posted on numerous notice boards around town. There are usually 2 shows per night.

Live music is played in certain bars. Again, the noticeboards around town will state the when and where.

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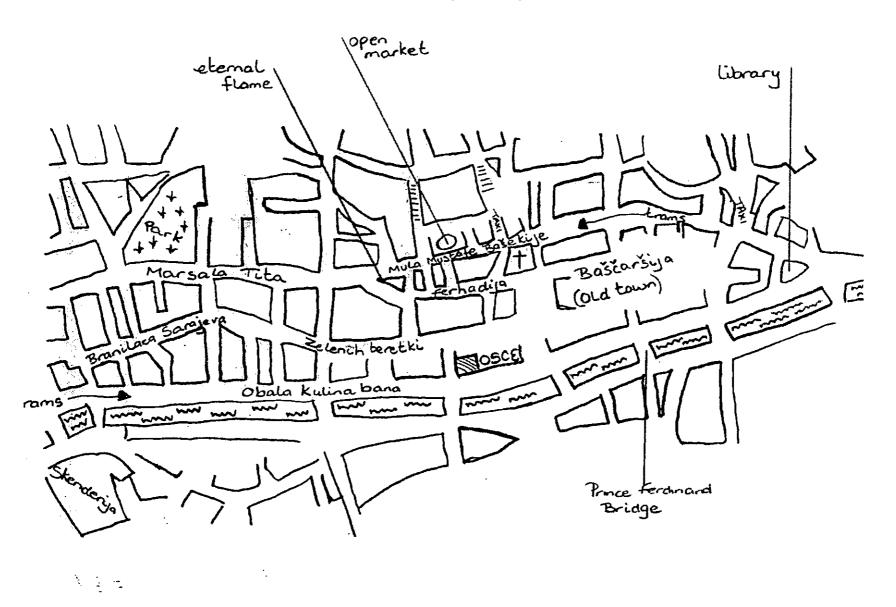
### **International Telephone Codes**



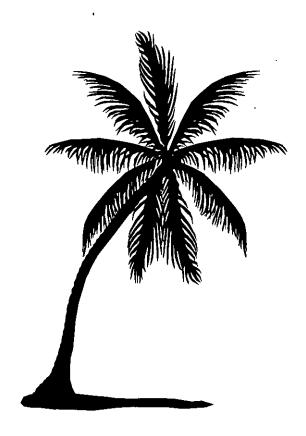
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Austria	43	Hungary	36	Slovakia	42
Argentina	54	India	91	Slovenia	386
Belarus	7	Ireland	353	South Africa	27
Belgium	32	Israel	972	Spain	34
Canada	1	Italy	39	SR Yugoslavia	381
China	86	Japan	81	Sweden	46
Croatia	385	Luxembourg	353	Switzerland	41
Czech Rep	42	Macedonia	389	Turkey	90
Denmark	45	Morocco	212	UK	44
Egypt	20	New Zealand	64	Ukraine	380
France	33	Norway	47	USA	1
Finland	358	Poland	48	Bosnia & Herz	387
Germany	49	Portugal	35	Brazil	55
Greece	30	Romania	40	Mexico	52

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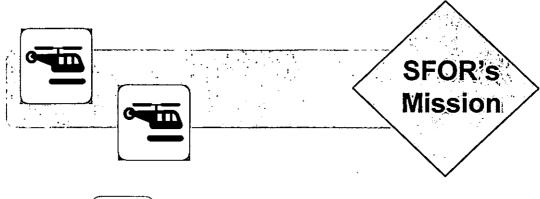
### Non-Scaled Map of Sarajevo



### **Annexes**



Summary of the SFOR Mission
Summary of the General Framework Agreement for Peace
Abbreviations / Acronyms
Translations English / Bosnian





### The Mission of the Stabilisation Force

- To support further implementation of the GFAP and responding to the resolution of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC), the North Atlantic Council (NAC) has authorised a NATO-led operation for the 18 month period to deter resumption of hostilities and to stabilise the peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH). The operation is dubbed "Joint Guard" and will be conducted by a Stabilisation Force (SFOR)
- SFOR's mission is to provide continued military presence to deter renewed hostilities and to stabilise and consolidate the peace in BiH in order to contribute to a secure environment for the ongoing civil implementation plans.
- SFOR will maintain the Zone of Separation (ZOS) and keeping it free from armed groups, ensuring heavy weapons remain in approved storage areas and that freedom of movement exists throughout the country for SFOR and civilian agencies. SFOR will promote freedom of movement across the Inter Entity Boundary Line (IEBL) for all citizens of BiH but cannot be expected to guarantee the movement of individuals throughout BiH or forcibly return refugees.
- By successfully accomplishing these principal military tasks, SFOR will contribute to a secure environment within which civilian agencies can continue to carry out the process of economic development, reconstruction and development of political institutions.

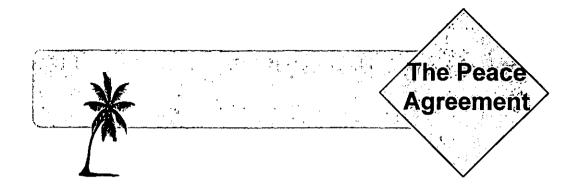
### SFOR:

- maintains control of the airspace over BiH and of the movement of military traffic over key ground routes
- continues to use Joint Military Commissions
- gives selective support to international organisations in their humanitarian missions
- assists in the observation and prevention of interference with the movement of civilian populations, refugees and displaced persons and respond appropriately to deliberate violence to life and person

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- assists in the monitoring of the clearance of the minefields and obstacles
- SFOR's primary objective is to ensure respect for the cessation of hostilities and the Zone of Separation. It will strictly hold the parties to compliance with the containment of heavy weapons and the demobilisation of forces and will take appropriate actions to prevent any new threats to the peace.
- It will continue to remove impediments to freedom of movement and project a sense of security throughout the country. As before, all these tasks will be carried out in an even handed manner. SFOR will also remain ready to support the UN Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia.
- As the Peace Agreement states, other organisations are responsible for tasks related to nation building. These include conducting humanitarian missions; granting election security; police force duties; moving refugees and implementing arms control and regional stability measures.
- Contributing to a secure environment and promoting freedom of movement is SFOR's main support to the work of other organisations which are primarily concerned with the civil aspects of the Peace Agreement.
- SFOR will provide selective support for civil tasks within its existing mandate, so long as this does not detract from its primary military mission.
- SFOR will work closely with the High Representative, the IPTF, the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, the OSCE and the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia.
- SFOR will continue to assist their effort in such areas as the conduct of elections, the return of refugees and displaced persons, the maintenance of law and order and the investigation of war crimes. All these tasks are essential to the long term consolidation of peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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# Summary of the General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina

- For the first time after four years of fighting in the former Yugoslavia, this Agreement commits the parties to end the war and to start building peace and justice. It represents our best hope for ending the worst atrocities Europe has seen since the Second World and our best opportunity to prevent a wider and more terrible war in this volatile region of Europe.
- The Agreement enables Bosnia and Herzegovina to continue as a single state, with full respect for its sovereignty by its neighbours. The parties have agreed to a constitution for Bosnia and Herzegovina that created effective federal institutions, including a Presidency, a bicameral legislature and a Constitutional Court. The country will have a central bank with a single currency.
- The Agreement settles the territorial issues over which the was fought.
- The Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina will administer 51% of the country's territory.
- Sarajevo will be reunified within the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- It will be open to all the people of the country. Checkpoints and closed bridges will no longer divide the city and its families.
- Gorazde will remain secure, linked to the Federation by land corridor. The status of Brcko will be determined by arbitration within by the end of 1996.
- Free and democratic elections will be held throughout Bosnia and Herzegovina before 15 September 1996. People displaced by the war will have the right to vote in their original place of residence if they choose so to do.
- The Agreement commits Serbia, Croatia and Bosnia and Herzegovina to co-operate fully with the international investigation and prosecution of war crimes and violations of international humanitarian law. The new constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina obligates all authorities, including Republika Srpska, to comply with the orders of the War Crimes Tribunal. The Agreement prohibits

- indicted war criminals who refuse the Tribunal's orders to hold appointed or elected office in Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- The Agreement commits the parties in Bosnia and Herzegovina to respect the highest level of internationally recognised human rights monitors unrestricted access to their territory, to co-operate with the ICRC in the search for missing persons and to release all persons detained in relation to the conflict. It creates a Human Rights Commission and a Human Rights Ombudsman with the authority to investigate and to act upon human tights violations.
- All people of Bosnia and Herzegovina will have the right to move freely throughout the country without harassment or discrimination. Refugees and displaced persons will have the right to return home or to obtain just compensation.
- The Agreement created a Commission of Refugees and Displaced Persons to adjudicate claims.
- The Agreement obligated the parties to withdraw their forces behind an agreed cease-fire line within 30 days and establish demilitarised zones of separation on both sides of the line. It provides for confidence building measures, including the withdrawal of heavy weapons and forces to barracks and restrictions on military deployment.
- The Agreement provides for the creation of a peace implementation force, or IFOR, under the command of NATO, which is headed by a U.S. General. IFOR will monitor the cease-fire and separation of forces. It will be responsible for implementing the Peace Agreement and of defending itself vigorously under all circumstances. The Agreement commits the parties to co-operate fully with IFOR.
- The Agreement makes possible a comprehensive programme of reconstruction assistance to help Bosnia and Herzegovina rebuild its shattered physical and economic infrastructure. International donors will quickly implement a programme to help people of Bosnia and Herzegovina recover their standard of living.
- The Peace Agreement was signed in Paris on 14 December 1995. A conference on civilian implementation was held in London on 8-9 December 1995.
- Trade sanctions against Serbia are suspended, but may be reimposed if Serbia or any other Serb authority fail significantly to meet
  their obligations under the Peace Agreement. An "outer wall" of
  sanctions will remain in place until Serbia addresses a number of
  other areas of concern, including Kosovo and co-operation with the
  War Crimes Tribunal. Sanctions on the Serbian part of Bosnia and
  Herzegovina will not be suspended until they withdraw their forces in
  accordance with the Agreement and free elections are held.

### Military Aspects of Implementing the Peace Agreement

- The Peace Agreement provides for the creation of an implementation force IFOR under the command of NATO, which is headed by a U.S. general. The Agreement also provides for the withdrawal of UNPROFOR.
- IFOR's mission will be to monitor and enforce compliance with the military aspects of the settlement on a evenhanded manner. Its tasks will include monitoring the cease-fire and separation of forces as well as controlling the airspace over Bosnia and Herzegovina. It would be an active, robust force capable not only of implementing a Peace Agreement but also, of defending itself vigorously under all circumstances.
- The Agreement provides for the withdrawal of all other foreign forces from Bosnia and Herzegovina within 30 days. It obliges the parties to complete withdrawal of all their forces behind the agreed cease-fire line within 30 days. It establishes demilitarised zones of separation, approximately two kilometres wide, on both sides of the cease-fire line.
- The Agreement commits the parties to co-operate fully with IFOR. It provides for unimpeded freedom on movement for IFOR by ground, air and water, throughout Bosnia and Herzegovina. It provides for Status of Forces protection for IFOR forces.
- As a confidence building measure, the Agreement obliges the parties to withdraw all heavy weapons and forces to barrack areas within 120 days. It obliges the parties to demobilise forces which cannot be accommodated in such barrack areas.
- The Agreement obliges the parties to furnish information on mines and other unexploded ordnance.
- The Agreement provides for the establishment of a Joint Military Commission, which includes the IFOR commander and representatives of the forces of the parties. The Commission will serve as a central body for military complaints, questions and problems.
- The Agreement obligates the parties to provide the Joint Military Commission specific data on military personnel, various weaponry and locations of explosive devices.
- The Agreement obligates the parties to release, without delay, all civilian and military prisoners of war and to implement any ICRC plan of release and transfer of prisoners.

#### Constitution

- The Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina (to be known as Bosnia and Herzegovina) will continue as a sovereign state within its present internationally recognised borders.
- The Constitution provides for the protection of human rights and the free movement of people, goods, capital and services throughout Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- Muslims, Croats, Serbs and other citizens will live in a single state composed of two Entities: The Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Republika Srpska. Bosnia and Herzegovina will have the following responsibilities: Foreign policy, foreign trade, customs policy, immigration, monetary policy, international and inter-Entity law enforcement, communications, inter-Entity transportation, air traffic control and financing of government operations and obligations.
- The governmental institution of Bosnia and Herzegovina will be
  - Legislative: a bicameral legislature (a 15 person House of Peoples selected from Entity legislatures and a 42 person House of Representatives directly elected from the Entity) Two thirds of each house will be from the Federation.
  - Executive: a 3 person presidency (direct election of one member in the Republika Srpska, two in the Federation) and a Council of Ministers, responsible for carrying out government policies and decisions.
  - Judicial: a constitutional court, to decide constitutional disputes including on appeal from Entity courts.
  - Monetary: a central bank.
- In six months, the Entities will begin negotiations on other responsibilities for the central government.
- In five years, responsibilities of joint commissions on human rights, refugees and national monuments will be transferred to the central government of Bosnia and Herzegovina unless both entities and the central government decide to continue them as independent bodies.
- All authorities in Bosnia and Herzegovina will be required to cooperate with human rights organisations and with the orders of the War Crimes Tribunal. Persons indicted by the Tribunal may not hold appointed or elected office unless they comply with the Tribunal's orders, including to appear in the Hague.

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### **Territorial Agreement**

- The parties have reached a definitive Agreement that settles the territory issues over which the war was fought. The Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina will administer 51% of the country's territory.
- Sarajevo will be reunified within the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. It will be open to all the people in the country. The checkpoints and closed bridges that have divided the city for the last four years will finally be removed.
- Gorazde will remain secure and accessible, linked to Federation territory by a secure land corridor that will make it a viable element of the Federation.
- The status of Brchko will be determined by arbitration by the end of 1996.

#### **Elections**

- The Peace Agreement requires that parties to conduct free and fair elections within six to nine months for the Presidency and legislature of Bosnia and Herzegovina, for the presidency and legislatures of the two entities and, if feasible, for local offices.
- The Agreement obliges the parties to create conditions in which free elections can be held, by protecting the right to vote without fear or intimidation and ensuring the freedom of speech, or the press and of association.
- The parties have requested the OSCE to supervise the preparation and conduct of these elections. This effort will be carried out in conjunction with a Provisional Election Commission headed by an OSCE representative and comprised of international experts and representatives from both entities.
- All persons 18 years or older listed on the 1991 census for Bosnia and Herzegovina are eligible to vote. Refugees and persons displaces by the conflict will have the right to vote in their original place of residence, unless they choose to vote elsewhere.

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### Protection of Human Rights in the Peace Agreement

- The new Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina guarantees all the people of Bosnia and Herzegovina the highest level of internationally recognised human rights and fundamental freedoms, as set forth in the European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Freedoms. The European Convention will have precedence over Bosnian law in all cases.
- The Agreement created a Commission on Human Rights to safeguard the rights guaranteed by the Constitution. The Commission will have two parts: an independent Human Rights Ombudsman and a Human Rights Chamber.
- The Ombudsman will be appointed by the Organisation for Security and Co Operation in Europe and will have the authority to investigate human rights violations, issue findings and bring proceedings before the Human Rights Chamber.
- The Human Rights Chamber will hear human rights cases and complaints brought by Bosnian citizens and by the Ombudsman. It will have the authority to order the parties the Republika Srpska, the Federation and the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina to stop any action it finds to be in violation of their human rights commitments. A majority of the Chamber's members will be appointed by the Council of Europe.
- Bosnia and Herzegovina's Constitutional Court can hear appeals for entity courts, including on human rights. Three of its nine judges will be appointed by the President of the European Court of Human Rights.
- The Agreement obligates the parties to release, without delay, all civilians and combatants who have been held in prison or detention in relation to the conflict. It requires them to release all civilians who have been held for forced labour, to close detention camps and to give the ICRC access to all sites of detention.
- The Agreement commits the parties to co-operate with the ICRC in finding all missing persons and to grant UN human rights agencies, the OSCE and the non-governmental organisations full access to monitor the human rights situation.
- The Agreement grants Bosnia's people the right to move freely throughout the country without harassment or discrimination. It gives all refugees and displaced persons the right to return home and regain their property, or to obtain just compensation for their losses. It creates a Commission for Refugees and Displaced Persons to determine the lawful ownership of property and to adjudicate claims for compensation.
- The Agreement gives IFOR, the peace implementation force, the authority and discretion to use military force to prevent interference with the free movement of civilians, refugees and displaced persons and to respond appropriately to violence against civilians. IFOR has

the authority to arrest any indicted war criminals it encounters or who interferes with its mission, but it will not try to track them down.

### The Peace Agreement and Regional Stabilisation

### 1. Provisions for Confidence Building:

- The Peace Agreement obligates the parties to start negotiations within seven days to agree on a series of confidence-building measures to be applied within 45 days inside Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- These measures may include, for example, restrictions on military deployments and exercises, notification of military activities and exchange of data.
- The Agreement obligates the parties not to import any arms for 90 days and not to import for 180 days any heavy weapons, heavy weapons ammunition, mines, military aircraft or helicopters.

#### 2. Arms Control Provisions:

- The Agreement establishes an arms control mechanism for settling numerical limits within 180 days on holding of tanks, artillery, armoured combat vehicles, combat aircraft and attack helicopters. The parties are obligated to begin negotiations on such limits within 30 days.
- If the parties fail to establish negotiated limits on the above categories of weapons within 180 days, individual limits on these categories automatically come into force for the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, the Republic of Croatia and both entities in Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- The OSCE will assist the parties with their negotiations and with implementation and verification of resulting Agreements.
- The Agreement includes a provision that the OSCE will help organise and conduct negotiations, facilitate inspections and help to resolve any disputes.

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### The Peace Agreement and the War Crimes Tribunal

### 1. Provisions of the Agreement

- The Peace Agreement obligates the parties to co-operate fully with the international investigation and prosecution of war crimes and other violations of international humanitarian law. The obligation binds all parties, including Serbia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Republika Srpska.
- This obligation to co-operate with the orders of the War Crimes Tribunal is enshrined in the new Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina. The human rights annex obligates each party in Bosnia and Herzegovina to give the Tribunal unrestricted access to all sites and persons. The military annex also requires the parties to co-operate with the Tribunal's investigators and the surrender suspects in detention whenever the Tribunal requests it.
- The Agreement also stipulates that indicted war criminals who do not comply with the Tribunal's orders cannot run for or hold elected or appointed office in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

### 2. Enforcing Compliance.

- The sanctions suspension resolution to be introduced in the Security Council will stipulate that compliance with the Tribunal's orders is an essential aspect of implementing the Peace Agreement. If Serbia or any other Serb authority are found to be "failing significantly" to meet their obligations, sanctions will be reimposed unless the Security Council decides otherwise.
- An "outer wall" of sanctions, which affect membership in international organisations and access to international financial institutions a key source of assistance for reconstruction will also remain in place after the Security Council suspends economic sanctions. Retention of the outer wall allows another lever to address such issues as cooperation with the War Crimes Tribunal.
- Finally, UN Security Council resolutions sponsored by the United States make co-operation with the Tribunal a binding and enforceable obligation on all nations.

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## The Peace Agreement and the International Police Task Force

- The Peace Agreement includes a request by the parties to the United Nations to establish a UN International Police Task Force (IPTF). The Task Force will train and advise local law enforcement personnel and monitor law enforcement activities, facilities and proceedings.
- The Task Force will be headed by a Commissioner appointed by the UN Secretary General and shall report to the UN Secretary General and the civilian High Representative.
- The Agreement obligates the parties to co-operate fully with the IPTF.
- If IPTF personnel learn of credible information concerning human rights violations, they will provide it to the Human Rights Commission that is establishes in the Peace Agreement, the International Tribunal for Former Yugoslavia, or to other appropriate organisations.
- The Agreement obligates the parties to co-operate with investigations of law enforcement forces and officials by the IPTF.

### The Peace Agreement with Civilian Implementation

- The Peace Agreement includes a request by the parties for the designation of a high Representative to facilitate civilian aspects of implementation of the Peace Agreement, such as humanitarian aid, economic reconstruction, promoting human rights and holding free elections.
- The High Representative will mobilise and co-ordinate the activities of the organisations and agencies involved in the civilian aspects of implementation.
- The High Representative chair a Joint Civilian Commission, which includes senior political representatives of the parties, the IFOR commander and representatives of civilian organisations and agencies the High Representative deems necessary.
- The High Representative will have no authority over the IFOR and shall not, in any way, interfere in the conduct of military operations or the IFOR chain of command.

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MLM	Military Liaison Mission
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organisation
NGO	Non Governmental Organisation
OPS	Operation Staff
OSCE	Organisation of Security and Co Operation in Europe
PEC	Provisional Election Commission
PSPV	Polling Supervisor
PVL	Provisional Voter' List
RC	Regional Center
RS	Republika Srpska
SFOR	Stabilisation Force
UN	United Nations
UNCHR	United Nations Commission for Human Rights
US	United States



### Some Translations that May be Useful!

Yes Da da

No Ne ne

Please Molim moleem

Thank you Hvala hvala

Thank you very much Hvala Vam mnogo Hvala vam mnogo

### **Greetings**

Good morning dobro jutro dobro yootro

Good afternoon Dobar dan dobar dan

Good evening Dobro veče dobro veche

Good night Laku noć laku noch
Good-bye Zbogom zbogom

See you later Vidimo se veedimo say

This is Mr... Ovo je Gospodin ovo ye gospodeen

This is Mrs... Ovo je gospođa ovo ye gospoja

This is Miss... Ovo je gospodica ovo ye gospojeeca

I am very pleased Drago mi je da sam drago mee ye da

to meet you Vas upoznao sam vas oopoznao

How are you? Kako ste? Kako ste

Very well, thank you Hvala, vrlo dobro hvala, vrlo dobro

And you? A Vi? A vee?
Fine Dobro dobro

Excuse me. Izvinite eezveeneete

#### Questions

Where? Gdje? gdye

Where is...? Gdje je...? gdye yee

Where are..? Gdje su...? gdye soo When? Kad? kad

What? Šta? shta

How? Kako? kako

How much? Koliko? koleeko

How many? Koliko? koleeko

Who? Ko? ko

Why? Zašto? zashto

Which?
What do you call this?

Koji/Koja/Koje? Kako se zove ovo? koyee/koya/koyee

kako se zove ovo

What does this

Šta ovo znači?

sha ovo značI

mean?

Šta ono znači?

sha ono značI

What does that

mean?

Sila Olio Zilaçi

Do you speak English? Do you speak German?

Govorite li njemački?

Govorite li engleski?

govoreeteli lee engleski govoreeteli lee njemački

Could you speak

Možete li govoriti

mozhete lee govoreetee

more slowly please?

sporije molim?

sporeeye moleem

I understand

Razumijem

razumeeyem

I do not understand

Ne razumijem

ne razoomiyem

### **Greetings and Civilities**

hello

zdravo

good morning

dobro jutro

good evening

dobro veče

goodbye

doviđenja

please

molim

F-----

....

thank you

hvala

I am sorry

excuse me/forgive me

oprostite žao mi je

yes

da

no

ne

### Small talk

Could you write it down?

Možete li napisati?

What is it called?

Kako se zove?

Where do you live?

Gdie živite?

What work do you do?

Gdje ste zaposleni?

I am very happy

Veoma sam sretan

I'm hungry

Gladan sam

I'm thirsty

Žedan sam

It's important

Važno je

### **Direction**

right

left lijevo

straight ahead pravo

desno

### **Time and Days**

today danas

tonight večeras

tomorrow sutra

in the morning ujutro

in the evening navečer

when kada

Monday ponedjeljak

Tuesday utorak Wednesday srijeda

Thursday četvrtak

Friday petak
Saturday subota
Sunday nedjelja

### It is / There is

It is / it's... to je ... to ye

Is it...? Da li je to...? da lee ye to

It isn't.... To nije... to neeye

10 mjo... 10 mosje

There is / There are.. Ima ... eema

Is there / Are there..? Ima li..? eema lee

There isn't / There aren't.. Nema.... Nema

#### **Numbers**

0 nula noola 1 jedan yedan 2 dva dva 3 tri tree 4 četiri cheteeree 5 pet pet 6 šest shest 7 sedam sedam 8 osam osam 9 devet devet 10 deset deset 11 jedanaest yedanaest 12 dvanaest dvanaest 13 trinaest trinaest 14 četrnaest četrnaest 15 petnaest petnaest 16 šesnaest šesnaest 17 sedamnaest sedamnaest 18 osamnaest osamnaest 19 devetnaest devetnaest 20 dvadeset dvadeset 30 trideset treedeset 40 četrdeset chetrdeset 50 pedeset pedeset 60 šesdeset shezdeset 70 sedamdeset sedamdeset 80 osamdeset osamdeset 90 devedeset devedeset sto

100 sto

first prvi second drugi third trećI fourth četvrti fifth peti

prvee droogee trechee chetvrtee petee

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### Specific Words and Phrases Relating to Elections

Abstention application form ballot box controller

ballot box

Ballot box
ballot issuer
ballot paper
Ballot paper
Campaign

Casting one's vote

Contesting Count

counting centre

Declaration of Secrecy

Election (s)
Election day
Election results
Electoral commission

Electoral law
Electoral officer
Electoral procedure
Electoral register or roll

Electoral system Electoral worker

Electorate

Eligible or entitled

Eligible to stand for election

Final ballot Fraud

House of Representatives of BiH

ID officer Indelible Irregularity

**Local Election Commission** 

Majority of votes Manipulation Observer observers

ordinary/absentee polling station

Parliamentary
Party member
poll book
poll station
Polling -booth
Polling day

Polling Station Committee Chairman

**Polling Station Committee** 

Polling station

Proportional representation

**Provisional Election Commission PEC** 

uzdržavanje prijavni obrazac

kontrolor glasačkih kutija

glasačka kutija glasačka kutija

lice koje izdaje glasačke listiće

glasački listić glasački listić kampanja glasanje takmičiti se brojati

centar za prebrojavanje

izjava o tajnosti dokumentaciju izbori dan izbora

dan izbora
izborni rezultati
izborna komisija
izborni zakon
izborni službenik
izborna procedura
izborni registar
izborni sistem
radnik na izborima
biračko tijelo

imati pravona glasanje imati pravo učešća konačni glasački listić

prevara

Zastupnički dom BiH lice koje provjerava ličnu

tuš

neregularnost

Lokalna Izborna Komisija

većina glasova manipulacija posmatrač posmatračI

redovno ili biračko mjesto za

parlamentarni član stranke biračka knjiga biračko mjesto glasačka kabina dan glasanja

Predsjednik biračkog odbora

Birački odbor biračko mjesto

proporcionalna zastupljenost Privremena Izborna Komisija .,1

queue controller/ink controller

Representation

Rules and Regulations Secrecy of the ballot

sorting centre Spoilt ballot paper

**Statutory Declaration Document** 

supervisors Supporter

Three Member Presidency of BiH

To influence To vote Training Valid votes

vote by absentee ballot

vote in person Voter registration

Voter voter's list Voting age voting screen Voting

warehouse

kontrolor reda./kontrolor tinte

predstavnici Pravila I Propisi tajnost glasačkih listića centar za razvrstavanje nevažećI glasački listić

izjava nadglednici pristalica

Tročlano Predsjedništvo BiH

uticati glasati

stručno obučavanje važećI glasovi glasati u odsustvu lično glasati

registracija birača

glasački paravan

blasač birački spisak punoljetstvo

glasanje skladište

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