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 - Head of the HZ HB Defence  
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INFORMATION about discussion with Col. Stewart,  
 commander of the English UN Battalion

On 24. April 1993, I had a working session with Mr. Col. Stewart, commander of the British UN Battalion, between 1300 and 1400 hours, on the premises of the Vitez OZ SB command.

SUBJECT: *The "massacre of Muslims people in the village of Ahmići, Vitez Municipality"* and the visit of the Security Council delegation today, 24. April 1993.

Bob Stewart: - The consequences of the Ahmići massacre will have international significance;

- Ahmići is in the HVO area of responsibility;
- No one has yet taken responsibility, and no commission has been formed;
- This is a political catastrophe for the HVO;
- The HVO wants to destroy the Muslims;
- The area was attacked at 0530 hrs by the HVO;
- Many victims were rescued, but many were burned in their homes;
- Some children were burned alive;
- For the UN, this is a very serious matter, with unforeseeable consequences, and for the HVO it is a political catastrophe;

I think that Mr. Mate Boban should have been in Vitez today.

- indicate that the reporting is extremely biased;
- point out the sufferings of the Rajić family;

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- point out the suffering of 2nd HVO Zenica Brigade and the Croats of Zenica;
- stress the massacre of the Rajić family;
- To talk about the extremely one-sided emphasis on the suffering of only one people, expressing the suspicion that journalists are being paid to report events untruthfully;
- the shelling of Zenica - only Croatian territory, the shelling of Kiseljak, etc.;
- classical terrorist actions against the commanding cadre that are being cancelled by all media organisations and others.

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