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REPUBLIC OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

HVO Main Staff
No. 01-70/93
Mostar, 15 January 1993

DEFENCE
MILITARY SECRET
STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

On the basis of an order of the HVO HZ H-B /Croatian Defence Council of the Croatian Community of Herceg-Bosna/, no. 01-1-32/93 of 15 January 1993, and of an order of the Head of the Defence Department, no. 02-1/1-9, of 15 January 1993 regarding the Geneva Agreement on the Arrangements for BH and the jurisdiction of the command of the Armed Forces in the provinces, I hereby issue the following

ORDER

1. All units of the HVO and the BH Army Armed Forces in provinces 3, 8 and 10 (the Croatian provinces) shall be placed under command of the HVO Main Staff, i.e. under the command of the Central Bosnia, North-West and South-East Herzegovina Operative Zone.
2. All HVO units in provinces 1, 5 and 9 (the Muslim provinces) shall be placed under the command of the BH Army Staff (some of the brigades of the Central Bosnia Operative Zone).
3. HVO forces in the Kreševo and Kiseljak municipalities shall remain under the command of the HVO Main Staff, i.e. Central Bosnia Operative Zone, until further notice.
4. Members and units of the HVO and BH Army Armed Forces that fail to submit to the commands as stipulated in Items 1 and 2 of this Order must leave the territory of provinces they do not belong to, otherwise they will be considered paramilitary, and disarmed.
5. Officers of the BH Army shall be represented in the HVO Armed Forces Commands at the Operative Zone and brigade level, in proportion to the number of their soldiers in the front.

This follows the agreement on the joint commands.

6. BH Army officers who by their conduct have contributed to the disruption of relations between the Croatian and Muslim nations shall not be members of the joint commands.
7. Operative Zone commanders shall start negotiating with the BH Army and find the best ways of establishing joint commands.

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8. The deadline for the implementation of this Order is 20 January 1993.
9. A report on the implementation of this Order shall be submitted to me every eight hours.

CHIEF OF THE HVO MAIN STAFF

Brigadier
Milivoj PETKOVIĆ
/signed and stamped/

Cc:

1. OZ JIH /South-East Herzegovina Operative Zone/
2. OZ SZH /North-West Herzegovina Operative Zone/
3. OZ SB /Central Bosnia Operative Zone/
4. 1st Mostar Brigade
5. Files