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R E C O R D  
about  
a taken statement

Compiled in the premises of Živinice SJB<sup>1</sup> on 24 July about a conducted informational interview with [REDACTED], daughter of Abudulah and Šefika, née Sinanović, born on 1 September 1972 in Srebrenica, residing in Đurđevik OŠ<sup>2</sup>, chemical analyst by occupation, unemployed, [?not married], Muslim, citizen of RBiH<sup>3</sup>, and in connection to the events inside Srebrenica during the war about which I am giving the following:

S T A T E M E N T

At the beginning of the war in 1992, Naser Orić immediately formed his own group of men who were almost like law in Srebrenica, and with Naser there were eight of them and their names were Amir Salihović, known as Arkan, Čelo, Miš, Izo, known as Šupljara, professor Bahajia, Nedžad, Mevko, known as Karadžić, and others.

After Srebrenica was demilitarized, the Municipality of Srebrenica was established, and Avdić was elected president, and he abandoned that [post] about 2 or 3 months ago and arrived to the free territory of the TPK<sup>4</sup> on foot, because during the war while the humanitarian aid was arriving and was being stored at the Department Store in Srebrenica and the storehouse in Petriča<sup>5</sup> [sic], he and a couple of other men, using his connections, sold those same humanitarian aid [goods] - such as salt, sugar, oil, laundry soap, flour, and so on - at the market in Srebrenica, and when there was a lack of some of the goods then the prices were unimaginable, so for a while a kilogram of salt used to cost about DM<sup>6</sup> 60. It is well known that in Srebrenica during the war there were many cigarettes that came from the Chetniks<sup>7</sup> such as VEK, NIŠKA, DRINA, MALBORO [sic], Srbija, and so on, and if there were many of them on the market then their price ranged between DM 5 and 10, and if the market was lacking them then one pack of cigarettes cost DM 20-30, and at the beginning of the war a pack of cigarettes cost as much as DM 100 and they were mainly bought by the Municipal officials, unit commandants, and that group that was around Naser.

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<sup>1</sup> Translator's note: Public Security Station

<sup>2</sup> t/n: primary school

<sup>3</sup> t/n: Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina

<sup>4</sup> t/n: Tuzla-Podrinje Canton

<sup>5</sup> t/n: Petriča

<sup>6</sup> t/n: Deutsche Mark

<sup>7</sup> t/n: derogatory term for Serbs - members of Yugoslav royalist and Serbian nationalist movement in World War II in Yugoslavia

During the war, there were many murders in Srebrenica for which no one was imprisoned, and I know that a man called Behi from Turbeti killed some man in a tavern, and that Midhat Salihović wounded a young man called Kadrić from a machine gun, and that young man died from injuries he sustained.

During the war, there were a lot of murders in Srebrenica which were covered up and no one was held responsible for them.

I remember one event when in November 1993, my uncle<sup>8</sup> came from Switzerland to Srebrenica to fight for Srebrenica, and because he was college educated, he was asked to come to the Municipality and to be in the SDA<sup>9</sup> Board, and then he was stopped in the street, right before my eyes, by the Commandant of the Brigade in Sućeska Zulfo Tursun<sup>10</sup> [sic] who told him that he was a defector, a traitor, a thief, and who beat him up in the street and then took him to prison where he hit him with a rifle-butt because the people of Sućeska wanted my uncle Hasan Bećirović to be the commandant and Zulfo did not like that.

During the war, there was prostitution in Srebrenica in which participated girls called ECA, VECA, BUBA, MERI, KETI, who were meeting with the UNPROFOR and made love in exchange for money, and then the authorities from Srebrenica imprisoned them and they were in prison for about 2 months.

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In Srebrenica there were countless rapes that were never unmasked because not a single girl could say it or report it. I remember that one girl who came with me in a convoy told me on the way that she was raped by a man known as KEZO and boys from Glogova just as my sister Sadeta whom the Commander of one Maunška<sup>11</sup> [sic] Staff Brigade Midhat Salihović, known as MIDO, tried to rape in the flat of Mirza's brother Bekir - and in that moment there were also some men [called] NINE, MIRZA, [?and] Bekir there - and my sister jumped through the window from the second storey and fell on wood, and she had multiple surgeries done on her in the hospital in Srebrenica and at the UNPROFOR [base] in Potočari, and she was threatened not to report what had happened, and when she came to the Srebrenica SJB they told her that it would eventually be resolved.

I remember that on multiple occasions, humanitarian aid [goods] were taken from the Department Store in Srebrenica for hosting some sort of weddings and parties that were [attended by] Hamdija Fejzić, Suljo Hasanović, Naserovci<sup>12</sup>, and others.

Munir Aziz, known as Nekić, [and others] who had relationships and contacts within the Municipal structures, could take for themselves as much as they wanted while the people were starving.

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<sup>8</sup> t/n: father's brother

<sup>9</sup> t/n: Party of Democratic Action

<sup>10</sup> t/n: Tursunović

<sup>11</sup> t/n: this refers to a Manoeuvre Staff Unit, in this case a Manoeuvre Brigade

<sup>12</sup> t/n: Naser's men or Naser's lads

The greatest smuggler during the war was Bego, known as Austrija, who smuggled gasoline, oil<sup>13</sup>, cigarettes, groceries, and silk stockings, and I do not know where he got those things from.

A lot of things had happened from the beginning of the war by the time I left Srebrenica, and in one word it was all negligence and anarchy, especially during the last three months since Naser left Srebrenica since everyone was saying that since Naser had saved his neck they might as well save theirs.

I have nothing else to state; the statement was read out to me loudly and I have no objections to it, and am consciously appending my signature to it:

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