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### KOSOVO CHRONOLOGY: 1997 TO THE END OF THE CONFLICT

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Although the Kosovo crisis itself erupted in Spring 1998, Kosovo had been a cause of growing concern during 1997. The KLA took its first casualties at the end of January/start of February when it was still a very small, secretive and little known group. Clashes between Serb security forces and armed Albanians increased during the year. The UK took the lead in September 1997 at a meeting of Foreign Ministers of the Contact Group (UK, US, France, Germany, Italy, Russia, EU Presidency and European Commission) in New York in proposing a statement voicing concern over Kosovo, and calling for a peaceful dialogue. This chronology, which covers the period from the start of 1997 to end of the conflict in June 1999, reflects the close attention the UK paid to events in Kosovo from an early stage.



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## 1997

10 Jan	Maliq Sheholli, Albanian member of SPS, shot and killed in Podujevo.
16 Jan	Serb Rector of Pristina University injured in car bomb explosion.
17 Jan	Bukoshi in Tirana.
21 Jan	Residents of Orahovac hold rally to demand release of political prisoners.
27 Jan	Avni Klinaku, leader of National Movement for Liberation of Kosovo, arrested. Charged with possessing weapons and plans to carry out attacks in Kosovo.
28 Jan	Policeman (probably Albanian) kills two lawyers and one other person in Pec courtroom.
29 Jan	First implementation meeting on education agreement held.
1 Feb	Three Albanians killed in shoot-out by Serb policeman - reported date. Zahir Pajaziti reported to be one of the three and to be a KLA leader.
4 Feb	Second implementation meeting on education agreement.
5 Feb	Demaci and Rugova hold meeting.
21 Feb	Rugova announces parliamentary and presidential elections for 24 May.
21 March	Serb policeman Branislav Milovanovic shot and injured 18 Albanians charged by Deputy District Prosecutor in Pristina with attempted secession.
26 March	Two Albanians killed and one injured in ambush. Serb paper says they were Albanian collaborators.
7-9 April	Informal talks in New York attended by Kosovar & Serbian opposition representatives, US govt observers; SPS boycotts. Agreement to continue dialogue, but no change in set positions.
19-20 Apr	Internat. conference in Vienna sponsored by US & Dutch academic bodies. Kosovar representatives attend.
8 May	Rugova postpones parliamentary elections until 24 Dec.
10 May	Bukoshi meets Leka I in Tirana.
17 May	Two policeman injured in gunfire attack in Srbica.

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19 May	Trial of 20 alleged members of National Movement for the Liberation of Kosovo (LKCK) begins in Pristina.
21 May	'Nedeljni Telegraf' publishes "declaration" by Kosovo Liberation Army ordering people to abandon political parties and support the KLA.
30 May	Twenty defendants in Pristina trial found guilty of membership of LKCK.
3 June	Trial of 15 alleged members of KLA opens in Pristina.
6 June	Trial of 15 postponed while one defendant has psychological tests.
9 June	Dutch ambassador visits Kosovo to set out EU line (no support for independence) to Albanian leaders.
18 June	EU Presidency issues statement of concern over trial of 20 Albanians in Kosovo (LKCK case).
19 June	Police car shot at in Donje Ljupce - no casualties.
23-25 June	Round table on Serb-Albanian relations held in Ulcinj.
25 June	Milosevic visits Kosovo, delivers several speeches.
27 June	Rugova in Finland, meets FM Tarja Halonen.
3 July	Swiss-Serbian agreement on repatriation of 12,000 Kosovar asylum seekers.
	SPS member Ali Qallapeku shot dead by unknown gunmen. (Attack later claimed by KLA.)
8 July	Yugoslav Army soldier wounded in border clash with group of armed Albanians near village of Djonaj.
9 July	Rugova in Rome, meets Italian FM Dini and Defence Minister Andreatta.
11 July	Fifteen Albanians sentenced in Pristina to 4-20 years' imprisonment for hostile activities and terrorism. Only three of accused present, rest tried in absentia. (Conclusion of case suspended on 6 June.)
27 July	Kosovo "PM" Bukoshi visits Tirana, meets PM Nano, FM Milo, President Mejdani.
28 July	Twenty-one Albanians charged with terrorism and hostile activity, inc. membership of KLA.
3-4 Aug	Police vehicles attacked in separate incidents – three injured in one attack. Ethnic Albanian shot and wounded. KLA claims responsibility.

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8 Aug	Kosovar leaders meet US envoys Gelbard and Holbrooke in Belgrade.
11 Aug	Delegation of Parliamentary Party of Kosovo holds talks with Albanian leaders in Tirana.
14 Aug	Serbian Government holds session in Pristina for first time, sets up regional development body.
15 Aug	Rugova meets US Sec of State Albright in Washington.
18 Aug	LDK activist Elez Hysen Myftari shot dead near Djakovica.
19 Aug	"Forest guard" Fazli Selishta found stabbed to death near Kamenica.
23 Aug	LDK delegation headed by Fehmi Agani holds talks in Tirana with Albanian FM Milo.
24 Aug	Isa Balata shoots dead well-known actor Cani Jetisi in Djakovica.
25 Aug	Armed gang probably from Albania kills ethnic Albanian at border village near Djakovica.
26 Aug	Ex-miners from Trepca urge foreign counterparts not to accept Serbian job offers in Kosovo.
29 Aug	One Kosovar shot dead, one wounded by unidentified gunmen (probably cross-border raiders) near Djakovica.
2 Sep	Exchange of fire between Yugoslav Army patrol and group of men apparently trying to cross from Albania near Djakovica.  Kosovar Arsim Rama shot dead by police patrol in Pec. In separate incident Limon Krasniqi shot dead by KLA after reportedly receiving death threats.
3 Sep	Armed attack against police station in Krpimej, Podujevo municipality.
4 Sep	Fifteen Albanians from Djakovica indicted for hostile activity" - forming National Albanian Front in 1990-91.
6 Sep	Rugova holds talks in Hamburg with German FM Kinkel.
11 Sep	Rugova holds talks in Luxembourg with FM Poos (EU President).
11-12 Sep	Ten police stations attacked overnight, causing substantial damage. Attacks later claimed by KLA.
13-14 Sep	Bomb attacks overnight on police stations in Kijevo and Luzane - no casualties. Attacks later claimed by KLA.

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24 Sep	FMs of international contact group on Bosnia, meeting at UN, call for Kosovo to get special status within Serbia.
29 Sep	Delegation of Belgrade diplomats (US Charge, EU Troika et al) visits Pristina to urge restraint on all sides.
1 Oct	Riot police break up peaceful demonstration by Albanian students protesting over education rights.
9-10 Oct	Unsuccessful 3+3 talks on implementation of Education Agreement.
14 Oct	National Unity Party leader Ukshin Hoti offers to resign in letter from Nis prison.
14 Oct	"Separatist" attack on police station at Celopek near Pec in small hours.
16 Oct	Police station at Klincina (E. of Pristina) attacked - one "terrorist" killed.
16-17 Oct	Overnight rocket attack on Serb refugee camp in Decani municipality.
22 Oct	Talks between leaders of PPK and LDK on political cooperation.
23 Oct	Talks between Kosovo student leaders with delegation of Belgrade University students.  UN human rights envoy Elisabeth Rehn meets student leaders in Pristina.
24 Oct	Serb students from Belgrade hold talks with kosovar student leaders in Pristina.
27 Oct	Trial of 19 Albanians (two in absentia) charged with membership of KLA and terrorist attacks opens.  LDK executive committee says party elections to be held in November-December; members call for general elections.
29 Oct	Student demonstrations in Pristina over education pass off peacefully; minor incidents elsewhere.
31 Oct	Kosovar political and student leaders meet UK Minister of State Tony Lloyd in Belgrade.
2 Nov	Kosovar shadow government protests over absence from Balkan summit in Crete and Nano-Milosevic talks.
6 Nov	LDK general board criticises Crete summit and Nano-Milosevic talks.

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7 Nov	LDK presidium member Zenel Kelmendi arrested at border crossing with Macedonia.
7-10 Nov	Bujar Bukoshi in Tirana; meets Albanian PM Fatos Nano, FM Paskal Milo, President Meidani, DP leader Berisha.
8 Nov	Grenade attack on SPS meeting in Podujevo - claimed by KLA.
18 Nov	Ethnic Albanian federal deputy for SPS Qamil Gashi wounded in armed attack in Komoran. KLA claims attack.
19 Nov	German and French FMs launch initiative on Kosovo, alling for negotiated settlement with mediation.
20 Nov	Rugova meets French FM Vedrine at Quai d'Orsay. Democratic Forum of Kosova formed.
25-26 Nov	Armed Albanians attack Serbian patrol near Srbica, causing large-scale gunbattle. Police station near Decani attacked - 2 dead.
28 Nov	Kosovar member of SPS, Dallip Dugolli, assassinated near Stimlje. KLA members appear at funeral of Halit Geci in Lausa, deliver speech and fire salute.
1 Dec	Belgrade newspaper claims that a senior police officer has said that a JAT trainer was shot down by the KLA.
5 Dec	Adem Demaci sends PPK appeal to KLA to call three-onth ceasefire to give chance for negotiated settlement.
9 Dec	Joint message on Kosovo from EU and US handed to Milosevic.
12 Dec	Nearly 900 Pristina university students submit petition urging main Kosovo parties to merge.
16 Dec	Seventeen Albanians sentenced to imprisonment for 4-20 years for membership of KLA and carrying out terrorist attacks. Two acquitted.
24 Dec	Rugova announces parallel elections for 22 March 1998. Protest walk by students in Pristina passes off peacefully.
25 Dec	Two armed attacks on police in Podujevo area – no casualties.
30 Dec	Police break up student demonstration in Pristina; demonstrations in other towns stopped or broken up. EU announces non-renewal of ATMs for FRY.

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## 1998

2 Jan	Serbs and Montenegrins in Istok hold "spontaneous" rally to protest about harassment by Albanian "terrorists" in Srbica and Glogovac areas.
6 Jan	KLA claims responsibility for bomb attacks in province and in Macedonia (latter denied by Interior Ministry).
9 Jan	57-year-old Serb Djordje Belic shot dead at village in Klina municipality.
12 Jan	Forest Commission worker Sejdi Muja shot dead by gunmen in Glogovac area. Block of flats in Stimlje housing police families fired on.  Delegation of Bozur Association (Kosovo Serbs and Montenegrins) in Belgrade meets Milosevic.  Trial of Gani Thaqi starts in Mitrovica - accused of involvement in terrorism and hostile activity.
13 Jan	Over 500 Serbs stage rally in Kosovo Polje demanding that government stops terrorism.
15 Jan	Serbian civilian shoots and wounds Albanian Ali Fazliu in parking dispute; Fazliu dies two days later.
16 Jan	Sweden and FRY sign agreement on repatriation of Kosovo Albanians - about 1,800 under extradition orders.
19-20 Jan	HMA Belgrade Brian Donnelly pays first visit to Kosovo, meets Rugova, PPK officials, Serbian officials, etc.
20 Jan	Demaci turns down PPK nomination for Kosovo presidential candidacy, and chairmanship of Democratic Forum of Kosovo.
22 Jan	Serb forces destroy house in Prekaz in armed operation, injuring two women, then kill man in Klina. Interior Ministry denies police involvement; possibly paramilitary action.
23 Jan	Serb local councillor Desimir Vasic shot dead on Klina-Srbica road. Police recover body after coming under heavy fire from KLA.
24 Jan	Police patrol ambushed in Malisevo, two policemen wounded. Later police conduct large-scale search, arrest four Albanians. Rocket fired on police apartments in Grabanica, Klina district.
24-25 Jan	Second "pan-Serbian gathering" held in Pristina; team of experts presents proposals for regionalisation of Serbia, including Kosovo. Meeting calls for dialogue.

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27 Jan	Serbian police officer shoots and wounds critically 17-year-old Albanian in Kamenica, who later dies.
27 Jan	Assaults by Serb civilians on Albanians reported in Kosovo Polje and Lipljan.
28 Jan	Serb protest rally against terrorism held in Zvecan draws 15,000.  Serbian police attack Albanian family house in Isniq village, Decani area. Seven Albanians later arrested.
31 Jan	Extensive police activities reported in Isniq – several arrests there and in Decani. Build-up of Serbian forces in Glogovac, Mitrovica, Vucitrn and Istok areas.
2 Feb	Serbian forces begin show of force in villages in Vucitrn municipality; large deployment in Djakovica and surrounding area.
4 Feb	LDK Foreign Affairs Secretary Edita Tahiri meets Austrian Secretary General for Foreign Affairs, Albert Rohan, in Vienna.
5 Feb	PTT reported to have suspended deliveries in Srbica and Glogovac municipalities for security reasons.
13 Feb	Postman Mustafa Kurtaj shot dead in Gornje Obrinje, Glogovac municipality - probably by KLA.
14 Feb	Abdulah Nikaj, electricity worker, killed 30 km from Pristina - authorities say victim of KLA, Albanians say killed by police.
16-17 Feb	Police checkpoint at Josanica on Klina-Srbica road fired on around midnight - no casualties.
19 Feb	Security Service car ambushed, one agent killed, at Luzani in Podujevo municipality.
20 Feb	Truck fired on after failing to stop at makeshift checkpoint in Lausa, Drenica area - one Albanian, one Serb killed.
22 Feb	Ali Azem Raci shot dead near Klina by unidentified assailants.
22-23 Feb	US envoy Robert Gelbard visits Pristina and Belgrade for talks on Kosovo situation.
24 Feb	16-year-old Zene Hajra shot and seriously wounded by unidentified gunmen outside his house in Poluzhine, near Srbica.
25 Feb	Contact Group meeting in Moscow - confirms position expressed in September 97 and January 98 statements. LDK holds third regular convention: Rugova reelected chairman.



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27 Feb	Village of Babaloc near Decani fired on; authorities say it was a terrorist attack on refugee settlement, Albanians say Albanian family house was destroyed.
28 Feb-1 Mar	"Terrorists" attack police patrol at Likosan near Glogovac, killing two and wounding two; police kill five assailants in return fire. In ensuing incidents around area (mainly Likosan and Cirez) further fatalities occur, including many civilians; final death toll put at 4 police and up to 30 Albanians.
28 Feb	Kosovo branch of (Muslim) Party of Democratic Action announces it will take part in parallel elections on 22 March.
1 March	<p>Kosovo parallel government reportedly calls on people to defend themselves against Serbian authorities.</p> <p>Houses of Serbs in six villages in Klina and Djakovica municipalities fired on.</p>
2 March	<p>Police break up mass demonstration by Albanians in Pristina over killings in Drenica area. Protests in Podujevo and Vucitrn pass off peacefully.</p> <p>Two people (one Serb, one Albanian) injured in shooting blamed on terrorists in Donja Ratis, Decani municipality; Serb man later dies.</p>
3 March	<p>Rugova declares national day of mourning for victims of violence in Drenica. Tens of thousands attend funerals of the victims.</p> <p>Unidentified men kill 71-year-old Albanian woman Aze Dekaj in Istok.</p>
4 March	<p>Pristina daily 'Bujku' carries statement by KLA swearing to avenge dead of Drenica.</p> <p>Further attack on police reported near Srbica, casualties inflicted; police station in central Pristina fired on.</p>
5 March	<p>Police patrol near Srbica fired on, two wounded.</p> <p>Secretary of State Robin Cook holds talks in Belgrade with Milosevic, FM Jovanovic; no progress made. Cook also meets Kosovo Albanian representatives.</p>
5-8 March	Interior Ministry forces launch further operations around Prekaz and other settlements in Drenica area; 2 police, at least 51 others killed.
6 March	Contact Group ambassadors visit Kosovo, meet Rugova and other figures.
8 March	Kosova Information Centre says police have launched fresh operation in Josanica, Ovcarevo and Broja in Srbica municipality.

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9 March	<p>Contact Group ministerial meeting in London applies limited measures against FRY in response to police action in Kosovo.</p> <p>Hundreds of thousands reported to have protested in towns around Kosovo against Drenica police action.</p> <p>Four thousand Kosovars reported to have sought refuge in eastern Montenegro.</p> <p>US envoy Robert Gelbard meets Milosevic in Belgrade for talks on Kosovo crisis.</p>
9-10 March	<p>Five Albanians reported killed by sniper fire in Lausa; protesters in Istok claimed to have been shot and wounded by Serbs.</p> <p>Grenades thrown at Albanian-owned businesses in Pec; authorities blame "separatists".</p>
10 March	<p>US envoy Robert Gelbard meets Rugova, Bakalli, student leaders and NGOs in Pristina.</p> <p>Serbian government issues open-ended invitation to unnamed Albanian representatives to open dialogue.</p>
11 March	<p>ICRC withdraws staff from Kosovo temporarily after anonymous threats to their security.</p> <p>FCO Minister Tony Lloyd visits Belgrade to discuss Contact Group decision to Serbian President Milutinovic and Federal FM Jovanovic.</p>
12 March	<p>Night-time attack by Albanian "terrorists" on Serb family in Ljug Bunar, Djakovica municipality, and Albanian house in Novo Selo near Pec - no injuries.</p>
13 March	<p>Albanian leaders fail to attend hurriedly convened talks with Serbian government representatives.</p> <p>Serbian government issues further invitation to talks on 16 March - minority parties now also included.</p> <p>Student demonstration in Pristina passes off peacefully.</p>
14 March	<p>Albanian shot dead by police snipers near Srbica, according to LDK.</p>
15 March	<p>Over 20,000 demonstrate in Pristina to commemorate Drenica victims - no police intervention.</p> <p>LDK main board elects 15-member presidency; Eqrem Kryeziu, Kole Berisha and Naim Jerliu elected deputy chairmen with Nekibe Kelmendi as secretary. Hidajet Hyseni and Fehmi Agani become advisers to presidency.</p>

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16 March	<p>Albanian representatives again boycott talks with Serbian government representatives, but minority representatives attend.</p> <p>Some 10,000 Albanian women prevented from marching from Pristina to Drenica by police.</p> <p>Police patrol attacked in Kijevo, one officer wounded.</p>
17 March	<p>Message delivered from Secretary of State Cook (as EU Presidency) to Rugova urging flexibility in talks.</p> <p>Eight Albanians from Decani charged with engaging in illegal arms trading and carrying out attack on police.</p>
17 March	<p>Luljeta Pula-Beqiri withdraws candidacy in parallel presidential election.</p> <p>Independent students' union and Muslim Party of Democratic Action in Kosovo call for postponement of parallel elections on 22 March.</p>
17-18 March	<p>Russian FM Yevgeniy Primakov in Belgrade for talks with Serbian and Yugoslav leadership.</p>
18 March	<p>Serbian President Milutinovic issues declaration on Kosovo offering dialogue, restoration of OSCE missions.</p> <p>Up to 60,000 Albanians demonstrate in Pristina; no incidents.</p> <p>Police open fire on crowd of Albanian protesters in Pec, killing one man and wounding several others.</p> <p>Further talks in Pristina between Serbian government and minority representatives, not Albanian parties.</p> <p>Rugova meets US envoy Robert Gelbard in Pristina, offers to prepare for talks with Serbs.</p> <p>Kosovo "PM" Bukoshi meets Albanian President Mejdani in Tirana for discussions on Kosova.</p>
19 March	<p>German and French FMs Kinkel and Vedrine hold talks in Belgrade on Contact Group compliance with Milosevic and with Albanian representatives.</p> <p>FRY Deputy Prime Minister Vladan Kutlesic appointed Milosevic's special envoy for dialogue with Albanians.</p> <p>Albanians select members of negotiating team headed by Rugova.</p> <p>About 20,000 Serbs demonstrate in Pristina, another Serb rally held in Pec; clashes with Albanians on fringes of both.</p>

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	Tens of thousands of Albanians demonstrate in Pristina and other towns.
20 March	<p>Serbian forces reported by Albanians to have fired artillery on three villages near Klina.</p> <p>Six alleged members of National Movement for the Republic of Kosova charged in Prizren with trying to blow up a monument and smuggling in weapons.</p> <p>Over 15,000 Serbs hold rally in Djakovica; similar rallies held in Istok and Klina.</p>
21 March	Six US nationals working for political NGO arrested and sentenced to 10 days' imprisonment after registering too late with police.
22 March	<p>Albanians hold parallel parliamentary and presidential elections.</p> <p>FRY MFA announces that a group of US Congressmen were denied entry visas on Macedonian border as a matter of principle.</p> <p>LDK says Serbian forces opened fire on Lausa (Drenica).</p>
23 March	<p>Agreement on implementation of 1996 Education Agreement signed.</p> <p>Over 30,000 Serbs demonstrate in Pristina to denounce signing of accord on Education Agreement.</p> <p>Ibrahim Rugova declared reelected "president" of Kosovo with 99% of votes.</p> <p>Six US nationals imprisoned on 21 March released and deported to Macedonia.</p> <p>PPK and nine other parties and associations issue statement rejecting parallel elections as a fraud.</p>
24 March	<p>Clashes between Albanian armed groups and police in several villages in Decani/Djakovica area: one police officer, four Albanians killed in Glodjane.</p> <p>Exchanges of fire near Josanica in Drenica area; police fired on in Kijevo.</p>
25 March	<p>Contact Group FM's meet in Bonn, later joined by regional countries FM's, EU troika etc. No further measures taken against FRY.</p> <p>Albanian media report gunfire by Serbian forces in Kijevo and other villages in Malisevo-Klina area.</p>

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26 March	<p>US envoy Robert Gelbard and UK Political Director Jeremy Greenstock hold talks in Belgrade with Serbian President Milutinovic, FRY FM Jovanovic and Rugova and other Albanian representatives.</p> <p>Milutinovic meets Radivoje Papovic, Rector of Pristina University, and college deans of the university.</p>
27 March	<p>Bronislaw Geremek, Polish FM and Chairman-in-Office of OSCE, visits Belgrade and Pristina for talks with Yugoslav and Kosovar leaders.</p>
28 March	<p>Bulgarian FM Mikhailova meets FRY FM Jovanovic in Belgrade, urges mediation in Kosovo problem.</p>
29 March	<p>People in Broje, Drenica area, reported to have been told to evacuate village completely.</p>
30-31 March	<p>3 + 3 commission meets in Belgrade.</p>
31 March	<p>UN Security Council passes resolution imposing arms embargo on FRY in connection with Kosovo crisis.</p> <p>Implementation of Education Agreement begins with handover of Albanological Institute to Albanians.</p> <p>Violeta Hoti of Broje in Drenica shot and wounded.</p> <p>Serbian government declares security situation returning to normal, invites Albanians to renewed round of talks on 7 April.</p> <p>Russian parliamentary delegation visits Pristina, holds talks with Serbian officials and Albanian representatives, but not Rugova.</p>
2 April	<p>Milosevic asks Serbian President, Speaker and Prime Minister to hold referendum on foreign mediation in Kosovo.</p>
4 April	<p>Serbian forces reported to have shelled Spahiu family compound in Lausa village.</p>
6 April	<p>Contact Group political directors meet in London to discuss Kosovo problem.</p> <p>Rugova appoints four-man negotiating team for future talks with Serbs - Agani, Bakalli, Surroi, Nushi.</p> <p>Six dead Albanians found in forest near Orahovac – no responsibility claimed, KLA blamed by authorities.</p> <p>KLA reported to have fired on police positions near Josanica and Bronca in Drenica area; Albanians report heavy weapons fire by Serbs on Acareve and Kopiliq.</p>

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7 April	Serbian President Milutinovic and PM Marjanovic head government delegation for talks in Pristina: Albanian representatives again boycott.
8 April	<p>Albanian schools in Skenderaj (Srbica) municipality closed down for safety reasons.</p> <p>Albanians claim Spahiu family compound in Lausa shelled again.</p>
9 April	<p>Serbian government offers talks on 16 April with ethnic groups on Kosovo statute.</p> <p>"Tens of thousands" attend peaceful Albanian demonstration in Pristina organised by LDK.</p>
10 April	<p>Albanian official of SPS wounded in attack on car with other SPS officials (both Albanian and Serb) on road between Stimlje and Suva Reka.</p> <p>Another large-scale demonstration in Pristina by Albanians; also held in other towns.</p>
11 April	Albanians reported to have left village of Baballoq near Decani after firing from nearby Serb refugee camp.
11-12 April	Serbian forces reported to have opened heavy weapons April and machine-gun fire on several villages in Drenica.
13 April	<p>Two hand grenades thrown at police station in Pristina suburb; no injuries.</p> <p>About 20,000 Albanians demonstrate peacefully in Pristina.</p>
14 April	<p>Tens of thousands of Albanians hold silent protests in Pristina and other towns.</p> <p>Serb families reported to be leaving villages in Decani region due to presence of KLA.</p>
14 April	Three members of Rugova's G15 advisors (Agani, Bakalli, Surroi) hold talks in Tirana with Albanian President Meidani and PM Nano, Kosovo parallel PM Bukoshi.
14-15 April	Albanian attacks reported on police checkpoint between Brocno and Turicevac on Klina-Srbica road; policeman wounded in attack in Donje Stanovce, Vucitrn area.
15 April	Danish FM Niels Helveg Petersen visits Belgrade and Podgorica, meets FRY & Montenegrin leaders, Agani.
16 April	Albanian representatives boycott latest round of talks held by Serbian government delegation in Pristina.

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	Rugova offers publicly to hold talks with Belgrade on neutral territory and with international mediation.
	Border guards foil attempted large-scale border crossing near Mt Junik, Djakovica municipality.
	Large-scale peaceful demonstrations held by Albanians in Pristina and other towns.
	Formation of New Democratic League of Kosova announced, with Rexhep Qosja as chairman and Hidajet Hyseni as deputy chairman.
	KLA source warns journalists not to visit Drenica area.
17 April	More large-scale protests by Albanians in Pristina and other towns.
	Gjoke Dushi sentenced in Prizren to 20 days in prison allegedly for collecting aid for Drenica refugees.
18 April	Serbian forces reportedly shell Broje, Kopiliq, Turicevc villages in Drenica area.
19 April	Army foils attempt by group of five to smuggle arms across border near Morina.
21 April	FRY closes border with Albania and Macedonia, troops deployed to reinforce Border Guard battalions.
	More clashes reported in Drenica and Decani areas.
	About 20,000 Albanians protest in Pristina.
22 April	Fighting around Babaloc, near Decani - Yugoslav Army said to have been involved.
23 April	Serbian referendum on foreign mediation in Kosovo crisis - 94.73% vote against in 73.05% turnout.
	Border incident near Kosare crossing in Junik mountains, 19-26 Albanians reported killed.
	Several Serb houses in Dasinovac, Decani municipality, reported to have been attacked.
	Artillery reported to have been used against five Albanian villages by Serbian forces in Decani area.
	Fire opened on police transporter near Srbica.
	LDK appeals for international pressure on Belgrade to cease military operations.

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24 April	<p>One policeman killed, one wounded in attack on patrol vehicle at Respik on Klina-Srbica road.</p> <p>Albanian Desku Cerim shot dead by "terrorists" in Klincina, Pec municipality.</p> <p>Serbian forces fire on five villages in Drenica.</p>
25 April	<p>Two villages near Lausa come under fire from police; two houses in Siqueva, near Klina, also shelled.</p> <p>Yugoslav Army reports coming under mortar barrage near Lake Radonjic dam, no casualties reported.</p>
25-26 April	<p>Two policemen wounded in separate attacks on checkpoint in Kijevo, on Pristina-Pec road.</p>
26 April	<p>Serbian Deputy PM Ratko Markovic, head of government negotiating team, writes to Rugova with new offer of talks on 28 April; offer rejected.</p> <p>Two policemen wounded in attack on checkpoint near Mala Krusa railway station, between Prizren and Orahovac.</p> <p>Three Serbs from Klina kidnapped by armed Albanians in Bica (released on 3 May).</p> <p>Army patrol fired on near Gorozup by about 10 men; fire returned, "terrorists" (some reports say 200 men) fled back to Albania leaving 20 cases of materiel.</p>
27 April	<p>Three Albanians reported dead, four wounded (captured) in gunbattle west of Decani.</p> <p>Four soldiers reported killed, two wounded in fighting in Decani municipality.</p> <p>Albanians claim at least 12 dead after tank fire around village of Voksa, south of Pec.</p> <p>Eight KLA members reported killed in police operation in Glodjane.</p> <p>Car carrying Japanese diplomat fired on near Lausa - escort wounded.</p> <p>GAC meeting in Luxembourg agrees ban on investment in Serbia and on visas for senior figures, arms embargo.</p> <p>KLA General Staff issues "Political Declaration No 2".</p>
28 April	<p>Twelfth meeting of Serbian government/minorities dialogue; again boycotted by "official" Albanians.</p>

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	Almost 40,000 Albanians reported to have held peaceful protest in Pristina; protests elsewhere too.
29 April	<p>Contact Group political directors meet in Rome. Norwegian FM Vollebaek visits Pristina, meets Rugova. (Meets Milosevic, Jovanovic in Belgrade on 28 April.)</p> <p>Policeman killed in attack on checkpoint in Dulje on Pristina-Prizren road.</p> <p>Several thousand Albanians hold protest in Prizren.</p>
29-30 April	Serbian forces reportedly shell three villages east of Klina and Babaloc villages near Decani.
30 April	<p>Albanian students prevented from entering three technical faculties at Pristina University supposed to be handed over under Education Agreement.</p> <p>About 20,000 Serbs protest in Pristina against Contact Group's decisions.</p> <p>Three Serbs from near Klina kidnapped on 26 April released unharmed.</p>
1 May	<p>Village of Vojnik and others in Drenica shelled by Serbian forces; three Albanians killed in Turicevac.</p> <p>More protest marches by Albanians in Pristina and other towns - suspended in Pec due to tense situation.</p>
2 May	<p>Police station in Rudnik, Srbica municipality, attacked - no casualties.</p> <p>Clash between police and KLA in Iglarevo, Drenica.</p>
2-3 May	Border guards foil attempt by armed group to cross from Albania near Gorozup, west of Prizren, smuggling arms.
3 May	<p>Serb refugee village of Babaloc near Decani shelled by "terrorists".</p> <p>Attack on police checkpoint at Ponosevac, nr Djakovica.</p> <p>Albanian sources report heavy Serbian gunfire around Junik, Morina and Ponosevac near border.</p>
4 May	<p>Two policemen killed, four wounded in ambush near Ponosevac, Djakovica area (casualty figures uncertain).</p> <p>One Albanian killed, four injured in attacks on Ponosevac (Albanian report).</p>

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	Continued clashes in and around border and Drenica villages.
	Alush Gashi, adviser to Rugova, appeals to UN World Food Programme for food, medical supplies for Kosovo.
	Belgrade daily reports six Albanians sent to prison for one month by Nis court for membership of KLA; two others also imprisoned for a month (not clear where).
5 May	<p>Body of post office worker Nenad Jaredic found near Orlate village; unidentified body of 50-year-old man found near Trstenik in similar circumstances.</p> <p>Nazif Bashota shot dead in Bobovac, near Malisevo.</p> <p>Representatives of LDK and other Kosovar parties meet in Pristina, decide that parallel parliament should meet, joint groups to visit war zones.</p> <p>Serbian Deputy PM Ratko Markovic issues further invitation to talks in Kosovo on 12 May.</p> <p>Russian Deputy FM Igor Ivanov holds talks in Belgrade with Milosevic, FRY FM Jovanovic, Vuk Draskovic.</p>
6 May	<p>One policeman killed, two wounded in attack on patrol in centre of Kosovska Mitrovica; one Albanian killed.</p> <p>Local LDK leader in Barane, south-east of Pec, wounded in assassination attempt - his brother killed.</p> <p>Bodies of two Albanians found in river in Decani.</p> <p>Two alleged Albanian citizens arrested for arms smuggling by army patrol near Cafa Prusit barracks by border near Djakovica.</p> <p>Swedish FM Hjelm-Wallen visits Belgrade, meets FRY/Serbian leaders, Agani, Bakalli, student leaders.</p>
7 May	<p>Border guards foil attempt by 20 Albanians to smuggle weapons into FRY near Gorozup border post.</p> <p>Vojvodina Hungarian army soldier killed in border clash near Bogicevica watchtower, on Montenegrin-Albanian border near to north-west Kosovo.</p> <p>Attack on group of electricity workers near Visoki Decani monastery; one Albanian killed, and three Serbs, one Bosniak wounded.</p> <p>Two police slightly wounded in attack near Lausa.</p>

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8 May	<p>Three policemen injured in attack near Balince on Pristina-Pec road; heavy Serbian fire on village.</p> <p>One Albanian killed in attack on police patrol in Iglarevo, on edge of Drenica.</p> <p>Albanian farmer shot dead by Serbian forces near Lebushe, Decani municipality.</p>
9 May	<p>Milosevic receives US special envoys Richard Holbrooke and Robert Gelbard.</p> <p>Body of Albanian forestry worker found in Volujak near Klina.</p> <p>Up to 20,000 Albanians demonstrate in Pristina, largest such protest for some time; chants of "UCK" heard.</p>
10 May	<p>Attack by Serbian forces on Babaloc and Hulaj villages near Decani; policeman killed at checkpoint at Babaloc.</p> <p>Ponosevac, Smolic, Cermjan and Gramacel in Djakovica area attacked by Serbian forces.</p> <p>G8 countries (minus Russia, but plus Canada) activate investment ban and assets freeze against Serbia/FRY.</p> <p>Holbrooke and Gelbard hold talks in Pristina with Rugova.</p>
11 May	<p>Police convoy attacked 13 km west of Pristina on main road to Pec; further clash near Kijevo checkpoint.</p> <p>Three Serb civilians wounded in attack on their car near Radisevo, north of Rudnik (Drenica).</p> <p>Holbrooke and Gelbard see Milosevic again in Belgrade.</p>
12 May	<p>Holbrooke, Gelbard hold further talks with Rugova (Pristina) and Milosevic (Belgrade); agreement on Milosevic-Rugova talks on 15 May.</p> <p>One Albanian killed, one policeman injured in police raid on house in Pristina suburb.</p> <p>One policeman killed, two wounded in attack on patrol near Ratkovac, Orahovac municipality.</p> <p>Ten Albanians killed, six wounded in incident near Ponosevac: Albanians say they walked into a minefield, Serbs say they mishandled weaponry.</p> <p>Albanians report four villages in Orahovac municipality fired on by Serbian forces at length: three killed, four wounded.</p>

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	Two Albanians killed, several wounded in Serbian attacks on villages in Klina municipality.
13 May	Policeman wounded in attack on checkpoint in Dolac, near Klina.
14 May	Serbian forces and Albanian armed groups clash at Zrze village in Orahovac municipality; policeman killed, two Albanians killed and two wounded.
15 May	Delegations led by Milosevic and Rugova meet in Belgrade, agree to further talks.  Serbian forces reportedly renew attacks on border villages of Morine, Ponoshec and Smolice; Babaloc shelled.  Police checkpoint in Rakos (Srbica-Istok road) attacked; two to three Albanians killed in uncertain circumstances.  Three Albanian villagers killed by police during police operation in Lapusnik.
16 May	Contact Group meeting in Birmingham (sidelines of G8 summit) - investment ban on FRY halted.  Jahir Shabani killed at Zajmovo in Klina municipality.  Police reported to be turning back all lorries bound for Kosovo at checkpoint north of Podujevo.
17 May	Policeman wounded in attack on police vehicle in Iglarevo, near Klina.  Naim Krasniqi sent to prison for 30 days by Prizren court for suspected hostile activity.  Three Albanian villagers killed in police raid on village of Stapanica in Klina municipality.  Eight Serb families reportedly flee homes in Leocina near Srbica due to security fears.
17-18 May	Serb students occupying Technical Faculty of Pristina University expelled by police: keys to Faculty handed over to Albanians.
18 May	Serbian forces reportedly resume attack on Citaku, Padalishte and other villages in Drenica area: two elderly Albanians killed, one wounded.  Albanian group reportedly fires on coach near Citak on Pec-Mitrovica road - much damage, no injuries.

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18-19 May	Babaloc and Gramacel reportedly come under attack by Serbian forces: three civilians wounded.
19 May	<p>Albanian municipal official Naim Krasniqi killed in Crni Lug near Klina by unidentified persons.</p> <p>Armed Albanians reportedly stop bus at Cubrelj on Pec-Mitrovica road, kidnap policeman; three people kidnapped by Albanians in Dolac, Klina municipality.</p> <p>Pristina University official announces that Serbian Education Minister ordered academic year at university ended on 15 May due to security situation.</p>
20 May	<p>Armed Albanians reportedly attack Serb villagers in Budisevci and Veliko Krusevo in Klina municipality; one Serb killed, two wounded in Veliko Krusevo.</p> <p>Serbian forces reportedly attack Grabanice, Dollove, Bokshic, Ceskove and Kepuz along Pec-Pristina road, Klina municipality; one Albanian killed, four hurt.</p>
21 May	Over 60 Serbs reportedly flee villages of Ratkovac, Bratutin and Opterusa to escape "terrorists".
22 May	<p>First meeting of FRY/Serbian-Kosovar Albanian working group set up by Milosevic and Rugova.</p> <p>Policeman wounded in attack on patrol near Rudnik, west of Srbica; patrol attacked near Gornja Grabanica.</p> <p>Serbian forces reportedly attack Zajm village, Klina municipality.</p> <p>Romany Muhamed Sopeu found murdered near Dulje on Prizren-Pristina road - KLA blamed.</p>
23 May	<p>KLA halts train on Kosovo Polje-Pec line west of Glogovac, kidnaps Serb police officer.</p> <p>Fighting reported on outskirts of Decani.</p>
23-24 May	Yugoslav Army operations against villages of Morina, Smonica and Patoc Morina near Albanian border; attacks elsewhere also reported.
24 May	Army patrol attacked in border village of Smonica. Several hundred Serbs protest in Pec over kidnapping of police officer from train on 23 May.
25 May	Three Serb electricity workers wounded in ambush on Pec-Pristina road between Streoc and Ljubenic.

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	<p>Policeman killed by sniper during attack on patrol near Streoc, close to Decani.</p> <p>Commander of police unit in Junik wounded in shootout.</p> <p>Albanian group reportedly attacks soldiers on border west of Djakovica - no casualties.</p> <p>Eleven villages in Drenica reportedly shelled by Serbian forces.</p> <p>Some 30 Albanians allegedly killed in Decani, some by sniping.</p> <p>Eight Albanian civilians allegedly killed in Ljubenic, Pec municipality, apparently after ambush of three Serbs in a car.</p>
25-26 May	Serbian forces reportedly attack several villages in Decani and Pec municipalities and on Albanian border.
26 May	Four parties represented in Kosovar shadow parliament urge international intervention in Kosovo.
27 May	KLA-Serbian clashes near Rastavice, Decani area; Serbs shell villages near Srbica and Glogovac.
28 May	<p>Five members of National Movement for the Republic of Kosova sentenced in Prizren for up to seven years in prison for placing explosives and arms smuggling.</p> <p>Clash at Bela Crkva near Orahovac - three Albanians killed.</p> <p>LDK Presidency calls for urgent engagement of NATO in Kosovo.</p>
28-29 May	Border villages of Ponosevac, Smonica, Babaj Boks and others heavily shelled.
28-30 May	Rugova, Bukoshi and Surroi visit Washington, meet Clinton, Albright, Talbott.
29 May	<p>Police convoy attacked between Ljubenic and Streoce, near Decani.</p> <p>Celopek police station attacked - one officer killed.</p> <p>Heavy Serbian attack reported on villages in Lapusnik area near Glogovac, villages in central Drenica.</p> <p>Three Albanians, two policemen reported killed in clashes in Djakovica area.</p> <p>Three soldiers killed by mine near Morina watchtower on border near Djakovica; 11 KLA members reported held.</p>

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30 May	Policeman wounded in attack in border area between Djakovica and Decani.
31 May	<p>Up to 20 Albanian men and youths said to have been executed by police in Poklek, near Glogovac after policeman killed in ambush.</p> <p>Lausa and Lapusnik shelled by Serbian forces.</p> <p>Policeman dies after Albanian attack near Decani; fighting continues in villages around Decani.</p> <p>Some 600 Kosovar refugees cross border into northern Albania.</p>
1 June	<p>Albanians hold protest demonstration in Pristina.</p> <p>Rugova, Bukoshi meet UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan in New York, request UN and NATO action in Kosovo.</p> <p>Advisers to Rugova meet Norwegian Ambassador to FRY, request NATO intervention in Kosovo.</p>
2 June	<p>Serbian Interior Ministry says it has destroyed a "large group of separatists" in Decani area.</p> <p>Army repels attempt by armed group to cross border from Albania near Dejan Radanovic watchtower; one Albanian killed.</p>
3 June	<p>Army units in Dulje, north-west of Suva Reka, come under fire - no casualties.</p> <p>Army reportedly prevents armed group from crossing from Macedonia into FRY near Brod, Dragas area.</p>
4 June	<p>Fighting continues in Decani area; shelling near Glodjane, Jablanica and Orahovac reported.</p> <p>Djakovica border area and Drenica villages reported shelled by Serbian forces.</p> <p>Army patrol stops large armed group from crossing Albanian border into FRY near Cestak watchtower, Dragas area; one Albanian killed.</p> <p>Albanians' daily demonstration in Pristina "probably the largest" since early April.</p>
5 June	<p>Albanian side postpones planned second dialogue meeting with FRY/Serbian side.</p> <p>Serbian Interior Ministry announces successful completion of operation to clear Pec-Decani-Djakovica road of "terrorists".</p>

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	<p>Police withdraw from police station in Ratkovac, near Orahovac, after station destroyed in attack.</p> <p>Albanians report one villager killed, three wounded in attack by Serbian forces on four villages in Orahovac municipality.</p> <p>Army foils attempt by armed group to cross Albanian border near Gorozup watchtower.</p> <p>Austrian FM Schuessel holds talks in Belgrade with Milosevic and FM Jovanovic and in Pristina with Veton Surroi and Fehmi Agani.</p>
6 June	<p>Air attacks alleged in Decani municipality; several villages in Orahovac municipality reportedly shelled.</p> <p>Three villages in Decani and Djakovica areas reportedly attacked by Serbian forces; two killed, three wounded.</p> <p>KLA HQ for Dukagjin (Metohija) region calls on all males aged 18-55 to take up arms.</p>
6-7 June	<p>Violent incidents during daily protests by Albanians in Pristina - police beat up several people.</p>
7 June	<p>Armed groups attack Serb-inhabited villages of Banje and Suvo Grlo in Drenica - two wounded.</p> <p>Parallel government introduces special tax for "the independence of Kosova".</p>
8 June	<p>GAC in Luxembourg decides to implement investment ban against Serbia.</p> <p>Morina, Popovac and Smolica in Djakovica border area attacked by army; KLA return fire. One army soldier killed, three wounded between Smolica and Popovac.</p> <p>Army halts KLA arms convoy crossing Albanian border across Kunor mountain - one Albanian killed.</p> <p>Six Albanian student teachers in Prizren charged with conspiring to carry out hostile activity.</p>
9 June	<p>Police patrol attacked on Orahovac-Zrze road.</p> <p>Army continues shelling border village of Popovac; fighting reportedly spreads to Skivjan.</p> <p>Three Albanians reported killed in Serbian attack on Suvo Grlo, Srbica municipality; Serbs say attack was by Albanians.</p>



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9-10 June	Prilep and Gornji Streoc in Decani area reportedly attacked by Serbian forces.
10 June	Canada announces similar measures to EU against Serbia. Coordinating committee of Kosovar parties announces end to daily protests in main towns; police beat up academics after end of final march.
10-11 June	FCO Minister of State Tony Lloyd holds talks in Belgrade with FM Jovanovic and Federal Deputy PM Sainovic, and in Pristina with Albanian leaders.
11 June	Serbian forces reportedly shell area round Srbica and Junik area near border south of Decani.  Albanians say Serbian forces attacked villages in Obilic municipality; Serbs report two policemen killed, one wounded.  PM, Foreign Secretary meet Rugova, Bukoshi, Surroi in London.
11-12 June	Pan-Serbian church and national convention in Belgrade issues declaration on Kosovo, denounces Milosevic.
12 June	Contact Group FM's meeting in London issue warning to Belgrade leadership.  German FM Kinkel meets Rugova, Bukoshi, Surroi in London.  Serbian forces reportedly attack villages south of Decani - four ground-to-ground rockets fired.
13 June	Rugova meets French President Chirac in Paris.  Albanians reported to have burned down 11 Serb houses in Leocina, near Srbica.  Serbian attack on villages west of Djakovica – two Albanians killed, one wounded in Morina.
14 June	Villages north of Djakovica shelled; one policeman killed, one wounded in Rakovina, similar casualties in attack near Drenovac on Decani-Djakovica road.  Two soldiers wounded in attack at Dulje in Suva Reka municipality; three soldiers, one policeman wounded in two attacks at Crnoljevo near Dulje - three Albanians killed.  Outskirts of Srbica, Lausa shelled by Serbian forces.
15 June	European Council meeting in Cardiff issues declaration on Kosovo.

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	<p>Border guards reportedly prevent several armed groups from crossing from Albania in pastrik area; two Albanians killed.</p> <p>Several villages near Decani and in Orahovac municipality reportedly attacked by Serbian forces.</p>
16 June	<p>Milosevic holds talks with Yeltsin in Moscow on Kosovo, offers to resume talks with Rugova.</p> <p>Japan adopts ban on new investment in FRY and freeze of FRY and Serbian government funds in Japan.</p> <p>Serbian forces reportedly launch attack on six Albanian villages east of Klina.</p> <p>Serbian forces reportedly shell villages of Carraleve (Crnoljevo) and Zborc near Shtime (Stimlje).</p>
17 June	<p>Policeman and soldier killed in clashes at Crnoljevo; Albanian inhabitants of Stimlje reportedly maltreated in response.</p> <p>"Terrorists" attack Serb villages of Bic and Grabac in Klina municipality, Babaloc near Decani.</p> <p>Several Albanians reportedly killed while trying to cross into Kosovo from Albania near Djeravica BP.</p>
18 June	<p>Serbian forces reportedly shell Carraleve (Crnoljevo), killing one Albanian villager.</p> <p>Parallel government meets Kosovar party representatives in Tirana; Bukoshi says government will appoint officials in war areas to organise self-defence.</p> <p>One policeman killed, five wounded in attack on police column near Iglarevo, Klina municipality.</p> <p>Naim Krasniqi sentenced in Prizren to 7.5 years in prison for procuring weapons from Albania for KLA.</p>
18-19 June	<p>Serbian forces reportedly shell villages around Decani.</p>
20 June	<p>"Terrorists" reported to have kidnapped five Serbs in villages near Pec and Klina.</p>
21 June	<p>Fighting in Rudnik, north-west Drenica.</p> <p>Clashes reported between Albanian and Serb village guards in Priluzje area.</p>

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21-22 June	<p>Fighting reportedly continues in Decani area - Albanian villages shelled.</p> <p>Albanian attacks on Serb village of Priluzje in Vucitrn municipality reported.</p>
22 June	<p>KLA members kidnap three Serbs in Kosovo Polje area. (Several other kidnappings said to have taken place).</p> <p>Albanian groups reportedly attack Serb villages of Svinjare, near Kosovska Mitrovica, and Jelovac, near Klina.</p> <p>Serbian forces reportedly shell villages in Carraleve gorge area, Djakovica border area.</p>
22-25 June	<p>Russian Deputy FM Afanasievsky visits Pristina, meets Rugova; holds talks with Milosevic in Belgrade.</p>
23 June	<p>Shelling, exchanges of gunfire in border villages west of Djakovica.</p> <p>KLA fighters take control of Belacevac coal mine, near Obilic.</p> <p>Miroslav Solevic, Kosovo Serb leader, says Serbs have set up Serbian Defence Guards (SOS) to protect themselves.</p>
23-25 June	<p>US envoy Richard Holbrooke visits Belgrade, meets Milosevic; tours western Kosovo, meeting KLA men.</p>
24 June	<p>Armed Albanians reportedly kill Serb headmaster in Kijevo.</p> <p>Serbian forces reportedly shell villages between Stimlje and Suva Reka, and in Decani border area.</p> <p>Rugova meets EU Commissioner for External Affairs Hans Van Den Broek, NATO Secretary-General Solana, Belgian FM Derycke in Brussels.</p>
24-25 June	<p>Intercommunal fighting in several villages in Vucitrn municipality.</p>
25 June	<p>Rugova meets German FM Klaus Kinkel, Chancellor Kohle in Bonn.</p>
26 June	<p>Three "terrorists" killed in clash with Yugoslav Army on Albanian border.</p> <p>Serbian forces reportedly shell three villages in Vucitrn municipality.</p> <p>Eight Albanians (LDK/human rights activists) detained in Urosevac.</p>
27 June	<p>New LDK relaunched as the Albanian Democratic Movement, with Rexhep Qosja as leader and Hidajet Hyseni as a deputy leader.</p>

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	Serbs reportedly forced out of village of Pantina, near Mitrovica, two killed, by KLA.
	Albanian villager reportedly killed by Serbian forces in Shishman, near Djakovica; fighting in Prilep, near Decani.
28 June	Holbrooke announces US envoy Robert Gelbard has met KLA representatives in Western Europe.
	Armed Albanians reportedly attack Serb houses in Drenovac, Klina municipality, but are driven off.
29 June	Security forces begin operation to retake Belacevac coal mine; security forces including armed civilians attack villages of Hade and Lismir in Obilic and Kosovo Polje municipalities.
	"Terrorists" attack Serb part of Crkvena Vodica, near Obilic.
	Four Serbs reportedly kidnapped by KLA on bus near Crnoljevo.
30 June	Eight Albanians reported killed in attack on army border post north-west of Djakovica; army convoy attacked near Dulje on Prizren-Stimlje road.
	Fighting around village of Drenovac west of Klina; Serb villager killed in attack on Drsnik, near Klina.
	Police reclaim control of Ade, near Belacevac.
	Seven Albanians charged in Pec with terrorist activity.
1 July	Police retake control of Ade and Dobro Selo villages next to Belacevac coal mine; three Albanian villagers killed, seven wounded in Ade.
	Rugova and other Albanian political leaders meet to discuss political strategy in current crisis.
	Authorities close down Radio Kontakt in Pristina.
1-2 July	Armed Albanians reportedly attack Drenovac and four other Serb villages in Klina municipality.
3 July	Bomb explodes on outskirts of Pristina not far from airport.
	Serbian forces end blockade of Kijevo.
3-5 July	US envoy Holbrooke holds talks in Belgrade with Milosevic and Milutinovic, and in Pristina with Albanian leaders.
4 July	Heavy fighting reported in Prilep, Decani municipality.

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5 July	Armed Albanians reportedly attack police patrol at Lodja near Pec - first such incident in the area.  Armed Albanians reportedly attack police checkpoint in Rakos on Pec-Mitrovica road.  Albanian villages at foot of Mount Cicavica, Vucitrn municipality, reportedly shelled by Serbian forces.
6 July	Further Albanian attacks against Serb villages in Klina and Istok municipalities reported.
6-7 July	Clashes at Lodja and Brezanik near Pec; three police killed, nine wounded; three Albanians killed, 13 hurt.  Heavy fighting in Batusha, south-west of Decani, ends in torching of village.
7-8 July	Contact Group meeting in Bonn.  Serb village of Gorazdevac near Pec reported under siege by KLA.
8 July	KLA attack in Suva Reka: Serb policeman wounded, Albanian news vendor killed.
9 July	Fierce clash between KLA and police reported in Svinjare, near K. Mitrovica.  ECMM reports shelling of refugees in forest near Albanian border in area of Padeshi border post.
10 July	Albanian business association in Kosovo protests about Serbian "blockade" against Kosovar businesses.  Rector of University of Pristina Radivoje Papovic removed from post.
10-11 July	Serbian forces reportedly attack Djakovica border villages.
11 July	Further fighting in Lodja: KLA withdraws.
11-14 July	Fighting in Decani border villages.
12 July	Clashes reported in Shala e Bajgores area of Mitrovica municipality (near Stari Trg).  Heavy Serbian attack reported on Shipitulle, Kosovo Polje municipality, and Sibovc, Obilic municipality.
14 July	Serbian opposition leaders hold talks in Pristina with Albanian delegation led by Agani and with Serbian Resistance Movement.

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15 July	<p>"Terrorists" open fire on police bus near Trnavce on Srbica-Mitrovica road, injuring 20.</p> <p>Police patrol attacked at Seciste, near Urosevac.</p> <p>Albanian attack on Trepca mine in Stari Trg; security forces reportedly fire on nearby villages.</p>
16 July	<p>Parallel parliament meets in Kosovo; swiftly broken up by police.</p> <p>Clashes in Prizren suburb of Tusus; police drive out KLA fighters to outlying villages. Three villages west of Prizren reportedly come under heavy Serbian fire.</p> <p>Policeman shot dead in Bair, Kosovska Mitrovica.</p>
17 July	<p>Heavy fighting reported in villages near Decani.</p> <p>Village of Zym in Opoje region, Prizren municipality, reportedly shelled by Army - one Albanian killed.</p>
18 July	<p>Army ambushes 700-strong KLA group entering Kosovo from Albania near Padeshi - many Albanians killed/wounded.</p> <p>At least 19 Albanians reported killed, many wounded trying to cross into Albania near Padesh border crossing.</p> <p>Failed assassination attempt on Enver Maloku, head of Kosova Information Centre, in Pristina.</p> <p>Sally Becker sentenced to 30 days' imprisonment for illegally crossing FRY border with Albanian family.</p>
18-22 July	<p>KLA attempts to take over Orahovac: eventually driven off by Serbian forces.</p>
19 July	<p>Yugoslav MFA issues formal protest to Albania over official support for terrorist activity.</p>
20 July	<p>Social Democratic Party leader Luljeta Pula-Beqiri announces suspension of party activity in protest at lack of unity among Kosovar parties.</p> <p>KLA reportedly attacks Trepca mine again.</p>
22 July	<p>Parallel parliament issues declaration effectively endorsing KLA's armed struggle.</p>
23 July	<p>Kosovo border zone extended to 5 km.</p>

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24-27 July	Security forces carry out broad operation west of Pristina, regain control of Pristina-Pec road.
25 July	Security forces begin siege of Junik.
26 July	FRY forces initiate serious exchange of fire on Albanian border at Morini border checkpoint.  Security forces launch operation near Lapusnik and other parts of west-central Kosovo; strong KLA resistance in Suva Reka-Stimlje area.
27 July	Security forces capture Lapusnik.  KLA attacks Kijevo police station.  Swiss authorities take steps to prevent KLA fund-raising activity.
28 July	Security forces regain control of Malisevo.  Heavy fighting in Djakovica border villages; 20-member family reportedly executed in Junik.
28-30 July	High-level EU Troika holds talks in Kosovo and Belgrade.
30 July	Mehmet Hajrizi of ADM named PM-designate in new Kosovo parallel government.  Rugova's G15 advisory council suspends activities.
31 July	Police report clash near Lipljan - 3 police wounded, 8 KLA fighters killed, several captured.  Sally Becker released from prison, returns to UK.
1 Aug	Police announce Srbica-Klina road open after KLA driven from positions near Josanica.
2 Aug	Security forces launch broad new offensive in Drenica.
3 Aug	Police say they have taken control of 9 villages in Klina area.  Smonica near Djakovica taken by security forces.
4 Aug	Police capture Lausa in Drenica.  KLA attack on Stari Trg police station and Trepca mine.
5 Aug	KLA group fires on police checkpoint at Sadovina, Vitina municipality.  3 Kosovars sent to prison for 13 years, 1 for 8 years after being convicted in Nis of terrorist activities.

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6 Aug	Security forces carry out operation around Pantina, Vucitrn municipality.
6-7 Aug	Russian deputy FM Afanasyevsky holds talks in Belgrade with Milosevic and in Pristina with Kosovar leaders.
7-8 Aug	Contact Group options paper handed over to FRY and Kosovar leaderships in Belgrade and Pristina.
7-16 Aug	Continued Serbian offensive around Decani and Djakovica.
8 Aug	Police capture Likovac, north-west of Glogovac.
10 Aug	Police kill 3 Albanians in raid on family compound at Gabrica, Kacanik municipality.
12 Aug	Security forces capture Glodjane, east of Decani.
13 Aug	Rugova announces 7-member negotiating team (only 5 members named).  KLA names 6 political representatives and authorises Adem Demaci to act as chief political representative.  Serious exchange of fire across Yugoslav-Albanian border at Padesh border post.  Serbian Deputy PM Ratko Markovic invites Fehmi Agani to resume negotiations.
14 Aug	Demaci accepts offer to act as KLA's political representative, leaves PPK.
16 Aug	Security forces capture Junik after two-week siege.
16-18 Aug	Clashes in Suva Reka area.
17 Aug	Security forces and KLA agree two-day ceasefire in Pec area to allow aid agencies to help displaced persons.  NATO and PfP countries begin Operation Cooperative Assembly 1998 in Albania.  Security forces operations reported in Prizren/Dragas border villages.
18 Aug	Serbian Deputy PM Markovic in Pristina for talks with Kosovar negotiators: boycotted by Agani and team.  Police spokesman says all of Kosovo now under control, all roads passable.



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	Security forces fire 17 mortar shells into Albania at Padesh border post.
18-20 Aug	EU Commissioner Emma Bonino visits FRY, including Kosovo.
19 Aug	Clashes in Klina and Srbica municipalities.
20 Aug	Serbian forces reportedly attack five villages in Orahovac area.
21 Aug	Two (Serb) Radio Pristina journalists go missing - believed kidnapped by KLA.  Shooting incident in Vucitrn - one Albanian killed.  Rugova appeals for international community to declare no-fly zone over Kosovo.  Xhafer Shatri, PGOK "Information Minister", announces setting up of "HQ of the 3rd Operational Zone for the Plain of Dukagjin" of the KLA.
23-24 Aug	Heavy fighting in area between Komoran, Lipljan and Suva Reka - apparently new Serbian offensive with many villages shelled.
24 Aug	Presidential statement on Kosovo issued at UN Security Council.  Security forces reported to have resumed offensive by shelling area of Komorane, Magura, Stimlje and Suva Reka.  Security forces reported to have mounted attack on 13 villages in Rugova region near Montenegrin border.  Three workers for Albanian Mother Theresa charity killed by Serbian mortar fire near Malisevo.  Nine Albanian students convicted in Prizren of supplying KLA with arms smuggled in from Albania; sentences total 32 years in prison.
24-28 Aug	Continued Serbian onslaught in Lipljan, Suva Reka, Stimlje and Malisevo regions.
26 Aug	Serbian government announces opening of 11 relief centres in Kosovo.  Eleven members of one family (women and children) killed by tank fire near Grapce, Stimlje area.
26-29 Aug	Renewed Serbian onslaught in Glogovac area.
27 Aug	Police forces find lime furnace in Klecka, in Crnoljevo Mountains, allegedly used by KLA to cremate bodies of 22 executed Serb civilians.

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27-28 Aug	Security forces attack Senik, near Malisevo; 7-17 civilians killed, around 47 injured.
30 Aug	Fighting reported in Klina municipality.
1 Sep	Increasing number of incidents reported involving KLA activity around Podujevo and Luzane, north-east Kosovo.  Rusinovce, east of Malisevo, shelled by security forces - 4 killed, 16 injured; KLA reportedly not at large in area.
31 Aug-4 Sep	Security forces carry out anti-KLA operations around villages south and south-west of Prizren; 15-30 Albanians killed.
2-5 Sep	Security forces shell villages around Ponorac, between Klina and Orahovac; thousands of villagers flee, adult males held for questioning.
3 Sep	Security forces reportedly attack villages in Srbica municipality and in Dushkaje area near Djakovica.
3-5 Sep	Villages west of Orahovac heavily shelled; fighting in Klina-Orahovac-Djakovica triangle.
5 Sep	Police declare Pristina-Prizren road safe for traffic.
5-7 Sep	Security forces reportedly attack villages near Prizren.
7 Sep	John Shattuck, US Assistant Secretary of State for Human Rights, and Bob Dole, President of the International Commission on Missing Persons, meet Milosevic in Belgrade.
8 Sep	EU regulation banning flights by Yugoslav carriers enters force - UK ban to take effect after a year.  Police find alleged site of execution of Serb civilians in Glodjane.
8-9 Sep	VJ shells villages south-west of Klina and around Decani.  Belgian FM Erik Derycke holds talks in Belgrade with FRY FM Jovanovic, in Pristina with Rugova.
10 Sep	Continued clashes in Decani/Pec area.
11 Sep	Montenegrin government announces it cannot accept any more refugees from Kosovo; sends 3,000 to Albania.
12 Sep	Security forces disperse up to 50,000 IDPs gathered around Istinic, north of Decani, back to their home areas.
12-13 Sep	Joint police-VJ offensive between Komorane and Srbica.

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15-17 Sep	Clashes in Shala area (between Mitrovica and Podujevo) and near Vucitrn.
16 Sep	<p>HMG reverses decision on FRY air carriers, joins EU ban with immediate effect.</p> <p>KLA HQ rejects idea of any temporary solution leaving Kosovo within Serbia as "treason".</p>
18 Sep	Security operation in north-east Kosovo expands north of Podujevo and south of Vucitrn.
20 Sep	<p>KLA detains 13 LDK and other politicians in Cirez, Drenica.</p> <p>Adem Demaci announces withdrawal (at least temporary) from political life for health reasons.</p>
21 Sep	<p>Security forces reported to have attacked villages in Has region north-west of Prizren and in Drenica.</p> <p>PGOK "Defence Minister" Ahmet Krasniqi assassinated in Tirana.</p>
22 Sep	FARK (PGOK armed organisation) reported to have merged with KLA.
22-28 Sep	Serbian security operation on Mt Cicavica north-west of Pristina (eastern Drenica).
23 Sep	<p>UN Security Council passes Resolution 1199, demanding ceasefire in Kosovo and start of real dialogue.</p> <p>Release of 13 Kosovar politicians held in Cirez by KLA.</p> <p>Muhamed Avdijaj sentenced by Pec court to 7 years' imprisonment for terrorist activity.</p>
24 Sep	<p>North Atlantic Council agrees force generation (ACTWARN) for air options in Kosovo crisis.</p> <p>Sabri Hamiti, senior LDK official and advisor to Rugova, shot and badly wounded in Pristina.</p>
25 Sep	<p>Security forces launch major attack in western Drenica in Komorane-Klina area.</p> <p>11 Albanians sentenced in Pristina to 5-10 years in prison for gunrunning from Macedonia on behalf of KLA.</p>
26 Sep	About 15 men reported to have been executed by security forces near Golubovac in Drenica.

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27 -30 Sep	Security forces attack villages between Suva Reka, Urosevac and Stimlje.
28 Sep	<p>Serbian PM Marjanovic announces end of anti-terrorist actions; Serbian parliament approves 10-day amnesty for people to hand in weapons, creation of provisional government for Kosovo.</p> <p>Bodies of 16 Albanian civilians killed by security forces found in Gornje Obrinje, near Glogovac.</p>
29 Sep	Security forces begin returning to barracks.
30 Sep	Six VJ troops reported killed by gunfire across border from Albania at Kosare.
1 Oct	<p>North Atlantic Council agrees next stage of force generation (ACTREQ) for air options in Kosovo crisis.</p> <p>17 people reported killed by security forces in attack on Osljane village in previous week.</p>
2 Oct	<p>Contact Group meets at expert and political director level at FCO, agree FRY not compliant with UNSCR 1199.</p> <p>ECMM reports being informed of massacre of 16 men by armed Serb civilians at Galica, north-east of Srbica.</p> <p>ECMM reports houses burning in two villages near Srbica, and attacks on 7 villages in various areas.</p> <p>Serbian Deputy PM Ratko Markovic invites Kosovar side to resume talks on political solution swiftly.</p> <p>5 Kosovars sentenced in Nis to prison terms of 6-8 years for "preparing terrorist actions".</p>
3 Oct	<p>KLA admits attacking security forces near Malisevo.</p> <p>Serbs reveal site of alleged mass grave near Klina.</p>
4 Oct	Russian FM Ivanov and Defence Minister Sergeyev hold talks on Kosovo crisis with Milosevic in Belgrade.
5 Oct	<p>UN Secretary-General reports flouting by FRY of requirements of UNSCR 1199.</p> <p>Albanian Democratic Movement, Parliamentary Party of Kosova, Albanian Liberal Party and Party of Albanian National Unity set up United Democratic Movement.</p>

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5-6 Oct	US envoy Holbrooke holds crisis talks in Belgrade with Milosevic and in Pristina with Kosovar leaders.
6 Oct	FRY FM Jovanovic invites OSCE to send mission to Kosovo.
8 Oct	<p>Holbrooke holds further talks with Milosevic.</p> <p>Meeting of Contact Group FMs at Heathrow Airport, London; Holbrooke delivers briefing on talks.</p> <p>Clash reported between KLA and security forces at Maraliqe near Malisevo.</p> <p>KLA command declares ceasefire.</p> <p>3 Kosovars sentenced in Gnjilane to 2-4 years in prison for terrorist activity.</p>
11 Oct	16 Kosovars cross border into FRY in Pyramid D4/4 area, hit minefield - return to Albania after taking casualties.
12 Oct	<p>NAC approves ACTORD for air action against FRY.</p> <p>Holbrooke reports agreement in principle with Milosevic on OSCE verification mission, political process.</p> <p>Albania reports two policemen shot by Serbs across border at Pyramid C6.</p>
14 Oct	<p>Albanians claim Serbian forces broke ceasefire by firing on village of Abria from Likoc.</p> <p>Clashes between KLA and MUP at Dragobilje, near Malisevo - MUP say they sustained 5 casualties.</p>
15 Oct	<p>Contact Group FMs meet in Paris to discuss Holbrooke/Milosevic deal and Verification Mission.</p> <p>NATO chiefs and Gen Perisic, VJ COS, sign accord in Belgrade on NATO air verification over Kosovo.</p> <p>MUP officer reported wounded in KLA attack near Likovac in Drenica.</p>
16 Oct	<p>OSCE Chairman in Office Bronislaw Geremek and FRY FM Jovanovic sign agreement on OSCE Kosovo Verification Mission.</p> <p>NAC extends ACTORD to 27 October.</p> <p>Clashes reported in area of Kraljevo, between Djakovica and Klina.</p>

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17 Oct	Three MUP personnel killed in KLA attack at Orlate near Malisevo.
19 Oct	Court in Pec sentences Avni Shala to 3 years' imprisonment for terrorist activities.
20 Oct	NATO SACEUR holds talks with Milosevic in Belgrade.
23 Oct	Ejup Salihi sentenced to 5 years' imprisonment by Gnjilane court for terrorism.
24 Oct	UN Security Council passes Resolution 1203 on Kosovo, welcoming Holbrooke agreement and setting up of KVM.  11-year-old Albanian boy shot dead by MUP sniper at Krajkovo, central Drenica.
24-25 Oct	Chairman of NATO Military Committee Gen Naumann and SACEUR get undertaking on withdrawal from Kosovo from Milosevic.
25 Oct	OSCE Permanent Council formally sets up Kosovo Verification Mission.
27 Oct	NAC decides to roll over ACTORDs for air action against FRY.
31 Oct	Meetings in Pristina between Adem Demaci and Fehmi Agani, and between presidency of parallel parliament and leaders of United Democratic Movement.
1 Nov	Policeman reported wounded by KLA fire at Glodjane.  KLA announces it has sentenced two Tanjug journalists to 60 days' imprisonment.
2 Nov	Four Albanians sentenced to prison terms of 2 years to six months for terrorist activities.
3 Nov	Albanian loyal to Serbia reportedly seriously wounded in KLA attack at Malo Selo, Lipljan municipality.  Parallel government says Hill paper is unacceptable and cannot serve even as basis for further discussion.
4 Nov	MUP police car reportedly attacked by KLA near Stimlje. Serious clash reported in Petrovo, near Stimlje.  KLA "military police" say LDK officials arrested in Malisevo had urged weapons surrender; two other "collaborators" were executed.
5 Nov	Serb employee of mine company dies after shooting of 3 men on road to Grabovac, Obilic municipality.

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	<p>KLA member reported killed in attack on MUP car in Josanica, north-east of Klina.</p> <p>Serbian President Milutinovic visits Kosovo.</p> <p>Bosko Drobnyak, Kosovo Provincial Secretary for Information, resigns for "personal reasons".</p>
6 Nov	<p>5 KLA members killed in clash with MUP at Opterusa, between Orahovac and Suva Reka.</p> <p>KLA Army Command announces it is creating local civil authorities in areas which it controls.</p>
7 Nov	<p>4th pan-Serb ecclesiastical and people's conference held in Pristina.</p>
8 Nov	<p>KLA attacks Malisevo police station - no casualties.</p>
9 Nov	<p>Bodies of two MUP officers kidnapped on Malisevo-Orlate road found.</p>
10 Nov	<p>KLA attacks police stations in Srbica and Glogovac (where three policemen reportedly seriously wounded); clash reported in Negrovce, 2 Serb civilians abducted in Srbica area.</p>
11 Nov	<p>Ljubizda village (between Djakovica and Prizren) reported under siege by security forces.</p> <p>Contact Group expert-level meeting on Kosovo in London.</p> <p>Dutch FM and Development Minister receive Kosovar delegation including LDK, PGOK and KLA representatives.</p>
11-13 Nov	<p>Serb civilians in Socanica hold 30 Albanians hostage in retaliation against abduction of Serbs by KLA.</p>
12 Nov	<p>7 Kosovars sentenced to prison terms of between 4 years 6 months and 2 years 6 months for terrorist offences.</p> <p>Clash reported in village of Mlegan near Malisevo.</p>
13 Nov	<p>KLA kills member of newly-formed local Albanian police force in Prekoluka, near Decani; another wounded.</p> <p>KLA attacks VJ convoy near Dulje, killing 2 and wounding 3.</p> <p>FRY delivers demarche to Macedonia warning against cooperating with NATO over extraction force.</p>
16 Nov	<p>KLA reportedly attacks police stations in Malisevo and Orahovac (no casualties) and police patrol in Donja Lapastica, Podujevo municipality.</p>

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17 Nov	<p>Serb woman from Klina wounded in suspected KLA attack on car near Iglarevo.</p> <p>3 Kosovars sentenced to 5 years' prison for terrorist activities.</p>
18 Nov	<p>Serbian President Milutinovic in Pristina for talks with Albanians, who refuse invitation.</p> <p>3 policemen wounded in attack on police car on Decani-Djakovica road.</p>
19 Nov	<p>Serbs in Podujevo protest over abduction of police inspector from Livadica village by "terrorists".</p> <p>Police officer reportedly injured in attack on patrol at Erec on Decani-Djakovica road.</p>
20 Nov	<p>2 MUP officers killed, 2 wounded in KLA attack on police truck at Prilep near Glodjane.</p>
23 Nov	<p>2 Kosovars sentenced in Prizren to 2 and 2 and a half years in prison.</p>
24 Nov	<p>Police inspector kidnapped by KLA released in Lapastica near Podujevo.</p>
25 Nov	<p>President Milutinovic in Pristina for further talks with minorities: Albanians again refuse invitation.</p> <p>KLA member killed in attack on police patrol near Djakovica.</p>
26 Nov	<p>Milutinovic's draft agreement on Kosovo autonomy signed in Pristina by minority representatives, Serbian Deputy</p> <p>PM Markovic, Deputy Federal PM Kutlesic (no Albanians).</p>
27 Nov	<p>KLA releases 2 Tanjug journalists abducted in October.</p>
2 Dec	<p>3 Albanians shot dead in Pristina, including KLA officer and 'Bujku' journalist; one Albanian shot dead on Pristina-Pec road, one Serb wounded.</p> <p>Xhafer Shatri resigns as Information Minister in the Provisional Government of Kosovo.</p>
3 Dec	<p>8 Albanians killed in clash with VJ near Planeja, 4 km from FRY/Albanian border west of Prizren.</p> <p>Statement by PGOK says Halil Bicaj elected Kosovo Defence Minister.</p>
4 Dec	<p>NAC approves ACTORD for Kosovo Extraction Force based in Macedonia.</p>



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	Female KLA member killed, six others injured in incident at hospital in Pec.
5 Dec	Albanian killed in incident in Klina.
6 Dec	Bodies of 2 Albanians found at Mazici, near Decani.
7 Dec	Albanian negotiating team led by Fehmi Agani rejects latest draft of Hill paper.
8 Dec	Contact Group meeting at experts level in Brussels discusses Kosovo.  KLA political representative Adem Demaci condemns latest draft of Hill paper.
9 Dec	Serbian President Milutinovic holds further meeting with ruling Serbian parties, Kosovar ethnic representatives; latest draft of Hill paper rejected.  Two policemen wounded in attack on patrol in Dolovo near Klina.
10 Dec	Contact Group meeting in Paris at Political Director level discusses Kosovo.  UK KDOM becomes part of KVM with establishment of first OSCE regional centre in Prizren.  Kosovo Extraction Force based in Kumanovo, Macedonia, formally inaugurated.  Naim Zejnaj sentenced by Pec court to 13 years in prison for terrorist actions.
11 Dec	One policeman and 2 electricity workers (all Albanians) reported killed by armed Albanians at Glogovac.
12 Dec	Policeman wounded in attack on patrol at Dujak on Djakovic-Decani road.
13-17 Dec	Paddy Ashdown MP visits Kosovo and Belgrade on fact-finding mission.
14 Dec	Border clashes in Gorozup and Liken areas west of Prizren; 31 Albanians killed, 12 wounded, 12 caught.  Two gunmen attack cafe in Pec, killing 6 young Serbs and wounding 3 others.  Houses in Erec between Decani and Djakovica mortared by security forces; 25 families flee village.

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15 Dec	Serbian authorities in Pec declare 3 days of mourning after cafe attack: demonstrations against KDOM.  3 Albanians sentenced in Prizren to 10 years' imprisonment for terrorist activities.
16 Dec	US special envoy Richard Holbrooke meets Milosevic in Belgrade, visits Pristina.  Serb students in Pec, Pristina, Mitrovica and Prizren avoid classes to mark funeral of Pec shooting victims.
17 Dec	MUP kill 2 KLA members in shootout near Glodjane.
17-18 Dec	Deputy Mayor of Kosovo Polje Zvonko Bojanic kidnapped, found murdered next day.
18 Dec	'Bujku' newspaper closed down after threats of legal action by Serbian Information Ministry.
20-22 Dec	UN High Commissioner for Refugees Sadako Ogata visits Kosovo.
21 Dec	State Security inspector killed in shooting incident in Podujevo.
22 Dec	One Albanian killed, 6 arrested in shooting incident at Zahac, east of Pec.  One Albanian policeman shot dead at cafe in Mitrovica.
24-27 Dec	Security forces carry out operation against KLA in 6 villages near Podujevo - at least 9 Albanians reported killed, Albanian and Serb villagers in area flee.
27 Dec	KLA reportedly ambushes police near Velika Reka, in Podujevo area, wounding 3.
29 Dec	Two Albanians killed in police action in Supkovac, Mitrovica.  Two Albanian security guards killed at storage building in Prizren.

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- 4 Jan UCK General Staff announces creation of UCK news agency and Radio Free Kosova in areas under its control.
- 4-6 Jan Adem Demaci holds talks in Tirana with PM Majko, President Meidani, FM Milo, Speaker Gjinushi, opposition leader Berisha.
- 5 Jan Failed grenade attack on Serb cafe in Pristina - believed to be first indiscriminate attack on civilians in Pristina.
- 6-7 Jan UCK kills Serb security guard at Belacevac coal mine; armed Serb civilians respond by blocking roads into Pristina.
- 8 Jan UCK ambushes MUP column near Suva Reka, killing 3 and wounding several; takes 8 VJ men hostage at Stari Trg.
- 9 Jan EU Presidency and KVM condemn UCK actions on 8 January.
- Three UCK members killed in clash with MUP patrol escorted by KVM near Bandera, Pec area.
- 11 Jan Enver Maloku, head of LDK-run Kosova Information Centre, shot dead in Pristina.
- Bujar Bukoshi holds talks in Tirana with Albanian PM Pandeli Majko.
- 13 Jan UCK releases 8 VJ hostages in deal under which 9 UCK members to be released later.
- 14-16 Jan Security forces operation east of Decani.
- 15 Jan British KVM member and his Serb interpreter wounded in attack (probably by UCK) in Decani area.
- Kosovo Extraction Force becomes fully operational.
- Serbian government holds session in Pristina.
- 15-16 Jan Security forces operation around Racak, near Stimlje; 45 civilians, mainly male, found massacred.
- 16 Jan Founding assembly of Serb National Council for Mitrovica, Zubin Potok and Leposavic held.
- 17-19 Jan Security forces return to Racak; further clashes.
- 17 Jan NAC condemns Racak killings, calls for FRY to cooperate with ICTY; EU demarche delivered in Belgrade.

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18 Jan	FRY refuses entry to Judge Arbour, head of ICTY, to investigate Racak massacre; William Walker, head of KVM, ordered out of FRY.
19 Jan	SACEUR Gen Wesley Clark and Gen Naumann, Chairman of NATO Military Committee, hold talks with Milosevic.
20 Jan	Russian First Deputy FM Avdeev holds talks with Milosevic on Kosovo crisis.
21 Jan	Federal government announces freeze on decision to expel W. Walker after talks between Milosevic and Knut Vollebaek, OSCE Chairman-in-Office and Norwegian FM.
20-21 Jan	MUP carry out operation against UCK near Mitrovica.
22 Jan	Contact Group meeting in London at Political Director level discusses Kosovo.
23 Jan	Authorities release 9 UCK members; UCK release 5 Serb villagers seized near Vucitrn on 22 January.
24 Jan	Five Albanian civilians (including 2 children) killed in MUP ambush near Rakovina, Djakovica area.
26-28 Jan	Delegation from Kosovo parallel parliament visits Albania, meets PM Majko and President Meidani.
27-28 Jan	After alleged UCK attack on police station at Luzane near Podujevo, security forces carry out operation in area.
28-31 Jan	Albanian students of Pristina University hold hunger strike protesting at Kosovars' political divisions.
29 Jan	Contact Group meets in London at FM level, summons FRY/Serbian and Kosovar Albanian leaders to proximity talks in Rambouillet, Paris.  MUP operation in Rogovo, between Djakovica and Prizren;  1 MUP member, 24 Albanians killed (some UCK members, some probably civilians).  Eight Serbs injured by grenade thrown into Pristina bar.
30 Jan	NAC reactivates ACTORDs for air campaign over FRY, issues warning to FRY/Serbian and Kosovar sides.  Foreign Secretary holds talks with Milosevic in Belgrade and with Kosovar leaders in Skopje on Contact Group conclusions.  Five Kosovars sentenced in Pec to imprisonment for 18 months to 2 years for terrorist activity.

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31 Jan	Grenade thrown into Albanian-owned cafe in Pristina - one Albanian killed, two injured.
3 Feb	Bulgarian FM Mikhailova visits Belgrade to urge FRY attendance at Kosovo peace talks.
4 Feb	Serbian parliament votes to send delegation to Rambouillet proximity talks on Kosovo.  Four Albanians sentenced in Pec to 2 and a half-3 and a half years' imprisonment for terrorist activity.
5 Feb	26 Albanians sentenced in Pristina to 2-15 years' imprisonment for terrorist activity.
6 Feb	Rambouillet proximity talks opened.  Bomb explosion kills 3 in Albanian-owned shop in Pristina; incident condemned by both delegations at Rambouillet. A Serb-owned and an Albanian-owned café in Pristina also attacked without casualties.
10 Feb	Nis military tribunal sentences 2 Albanians to 8 years' imprisonment for terrorism.
12 Feb	Provisional Executive Council for Kosovo announces that 3 disciplines to be taught in Albanian at Pristina University forthwith.
13 Feb	Bomb explosion in front of Jugobanka building in Urosevac injures 12 people.  President Clinton announces intention to send nearly 4,000 US troops as part of Kosovo peace force.
14 Feb	Contact Group Foreign Ministers meet in Paris, decide to extend Rambouillet talks by one week with deadline on 20 February.
16 Feb	US special envoy for Kosovo Chris Hill flies from Rambouillet to Belgrade for talks with Milosevic.
17 Feb	Seven Albanians sentenced in Pec to total of 22 years in prison for terrorist activities.
19 Feb	Chris Hill flies to Belgrade to see Milosevic, who refuses to see him.
20 Feb	Contact Group Foreign Ministers decide to extend Rambouillet talks until 23 February.
22 Feb	Appointment reported of Sylejman Selimi, UCK commander in Drenica, as UCK Commander in Chief.

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	'Rilindja' daily resumes publication in Pristina after break of 8 and a half years.
22-23 Feb	Security forces carry out operation west of Vucitrn, displacing over 4,000 Albanian villagers.
23 Feb	Rambouillet talks close with partial acceptance by both sides of Contact Group terms; further talks to be held at Evreux on 15 March.  UCK, LDK and United Democratic Movement (Thaqi, Rugova and Qosja) agree at Rambouillet to form "temporary government" of Kosovo; rejected by Adem Demaci.
25 Feb	Bundestag approves participation of up to 6,000 German troops in proposed Kosovo peace implementation force.
26 Feb	Serb attacks on 3 villages south of Kacanik sends 530 refugees fleeing across border into Macedonia.
26-27 Feb	Clashes between MUP and UCK around villages south of Orahovac.
28 Feb	UCK ambushes MUP vehicle near Kacanik, killing local chief of police and wounding 4 policemen.
1 March	Knut Vollebaek, Norwegian FM and Chairman in Office of OSCE, holds talks on Kosovo with Milosevic.  Leading UCK figure Hashim Thaqi named Prime Minister of future transitional Kosovo government.  Hashim Thaqi and Xhavit Haliti of UCK meet Albanian President Meidani in Tirana.
2 March	Adem Demaci resigns as Political Representative of UCK.  Security forces launch operation against UCK west of Kacanik-Djeneral Jankovic road.
4 March	13 Kosovars sentenced in Mitrovica for "hostile activity".
5 March	UCK ambushes MUP convoy near Magura, west of Lipljan, wounding 11 officers.
6 March	Kosovo parallel parliament holds session, supports signing Rambouillet draft agreement.
7 March	Hashim Thaqi and Xhavit Haliti of UCK meet Albanian President Meidani, PM Majko in Tirana.

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8 March	German FM Fischer (EU Presidency) and European Commissioner Van den Broek meet in Pristina representatives of Albanian groups present at Rambouillet.
9 March	German FM Fischer (EU Presidency) and European Commissioner Van den Broek discuss Kosovo problem with Milosevic.  Serbian Interior Ministry issues arrest warrants for UCK leaders Hashim Thaqi, Jakup Krasniqi and Rame Buja.
10 March	US special envoy Richard Holbrooke holds talks with Milosevic on Kosovo.  Greek FM Papandreou discusses Kosovo in Tirana.  Serbian public prosecutor finds no grounds to charge police involved in Racak killings.  Serbian Information Ministry brings charges against 3 Albanian language Kosovar newspapers.
11 March	Russian FM Ivanov discusses Kosovo in Tirana.  US House of Representatives approves deployment of troops in Kosovo.
11-12 March	Russian FM Ivanov discusses Kosovo with FRY FM Jovanovic and Milosevic.
12 March	Greek FM Papandreou discusses Kosovo in Belgrade.
13 March	3 explosives devices detonated in Mitrovice and Podujevo markets. At least 6 killed and dozens injured.  FRY Interior Ministry issued arrest warrants for 6 members of UCK.
15 March	Kleber talks opened.  Kosovo Albanian delegation accept 23 February Agreement in its entirety, including demilitarisation provisions.  FRY newsagency accuses BBC and CNN of fanning "anti-Serb hysteria" in their reporting on Kosovo.
16 March	FRY forwards to Interpol international warrant for arrest and extradition of leading UCK figure Thaqi.
17 March	Finnish forensic team presents report on Racak massacre.  FRY FM Jovanovic letter calls on UNSC to order NATO to end threat of force against FRY.

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18 March	<p>Kosovo Albanians sign Rambouillet Accords.</p> <p>Serb delegation signs its own alternative political agreement on self-rule.</p> <p>EU Presidency Ambassador makes demarches in Belgrade on VJ troop deployment in Kosovo and on renewed repressive action against independent media.</p>
19 March	<p>Kleber talks adjourned.</p> <p>OSCE Chairman in Office Vollebaek announces decision to start withdrawal of KVM immediately.</p>
20 March	<p>KVM withdrawal completed without incident.</p> <p>Serbian Information Ministry brings charges against Kosovo Albanian paper Koha Ditore.</p> <p>British and other Western Embassies withdraw dependents and non-essential staff from Belgrade.</p> <p>4 Serbian policemen killed in Pristina: first major incident in provincial capital.</p>
21 March	<p>VJ offensive against UCK strongholds in central Drenica region of Kosovo.</p> <p>NATO Ambassadors give NATO SG Solana right to authorise Phase I and II attacks on FRY.</p>
22 March	<p>Holbrooke discusses Kosovo with Cook, Vedrine, Fischer and Solana in Brussels.</p> <p>2 separate attacks on Albanian cafes in Pristina. 2 dead, 6 injured.</p> <p>Ambassadors Hill, Mayorski and Petritsch, the 3 Rambouillet negotiators, meet Milosevic.</p> <p>UNSG statement appeals to FRY authorities to halt military offensive.</p> <p>UN staff instructed to withdraw from Kosovo.</p> <p>Milosevic rejects British and French FM's request to accept peace plan.</p>
22-3 March	<p>Holbrooke in Belgrade for talks with Milosevic.</p>
23 March	<p>Serbian parliament, urged by president Milutinovic, votes to reject NATO troops in Kosovo.</p>



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	Clinton sets out US national interest in Kosovo in speech to public employees' union.
	Prime Minister makes statement to the House of Commons.
	British Embassy Belgrade closed on HMA's departure.
	Primakov cancels visit to Washington mid-flight.
	FRY announces state of emergency.
	NATO Secretary General Solana authorises initiation of air operations in FRY.
24 March	German Embassy (EU Presidency) withdraws all diplomatic staff from Belgrade.
	Independent Radio B92 raided by Federal Telecommunications Ministry and police.
	NATO Secretary General Solana writes to Macedonian President Gligorov and Albanian, Bulgarian, Romanian and Slovenian PMs assuring them that their countries' security was of "direct and material concern" to NATO.
	European Council statement on Kosovo.
	President Yeltsin makes TV appeal "to the world" to stop Clinton (sic) launching airstrikes.
	Milosevic makes TV address to the nation.
	NATO airstrikes begin.
	UNSC debates Kosovo, at Russian request.
	Russia stops cooperation with NATO in several areas.
	FRY PM Bulatovic on TV declares "a state of war in FRY".
25 March	US House of Representatives passes resolution supporting US troops involved.
	FRY announces intention to break off diplomatic relations with Britain, US, France and Germany.
	UCK General Staff issues statement welcoming NATO airstrikes and UCK Commander in Chief Selimi writes to thank NATO SG Solana and SACEUR.
	Journalists from NATO countries ordered to leave FRY.

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	House of Commons debate on Kosovo.
	VJ shell villages of Tropoja and Prife in Albania.
26 March	<p>Russian draft SCR demanding immediate end to NATO action defeated.</p> <p>Russian FM Ivanov suggests Russia-EU troika meeting at FM level to discuss Kosovo.</p> <p>Bayram Kelmendi, prominent Human Rights lawyer, and his two sons, found shot dead after being taken away by police in Pristina.</p> <p>Prime Minister makes TV broadcast on Kosovo.</p> <p>President Clinton makes broadcast via satellite into FRY.</p>
27 March	<p>NATO Secretary General Solana authorises Phase II of airstrikes.</p> <p>US stealth aircraft crashes inside FRY, pilot rescued.</p> <p>Ukrainian FM Tarasyuk talks to Milosevic in Belgrade.</p>
28 March	<p>Russian liberal politicians Gaidar, Nemtsov and Fedorov visit Belgrade on private initiative.</p> <p>US Embassy in Moscow attacked.</p>
29 March	<p>Unconfirmed reports that 5 Kosovo Albanian leaders have been executed, including Fehmi Agani (a member of the Kosovo Albanian negotiating team at Rambouillet).</p> <p>Judge Arbour, Prosecutor ICTY, writes to Milosevic and senior officials in Belgrade and Kosovo outlining her concerns about serious violations of international humanitarian law.</p> <p>ICRC withdraws from Pristina.</p> <p>MOD publishes list of those who could face indictment for war crimes by ICTY.</p> <p>Prime Minister announces £10m for emergency relief for refugees in the region.</p>
30 March	<p>Russian PM Primakov, FM Ivanov and DM (Sergeev) visit Belgrade.</p> <p>Milosevic makes 6 point proposal on Serbian TV for reducing his forces and ending airstrikes. Dismissed within hours as inadequate by Germany, US and Britain.</p>

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	UN Special Rapporteur Dientsbier issues annual report to Commission on Human Rights.
	Secretary of State meets delegation of Kosovo Albanians in London.
	UNSG issues statement expressing "profound outrage" at reports of ethnic cleansing conducted by Serbian military and paramilitary forces.
31 March	<p>Judge Arbour, Prosecutor ICTY, made public the list of 13 Serbian and FRY leaders who will be held accountable for their actions. Existence of sealed indictment against Arkan issued September 1997 also made public.</p> <p>US announce aid package of \$50m to address needs of refugees from Kosovo.</p> <p>UNHCR estimates numbers of Kosovo refugees at 90,000 in Albania, 42,000 in Montenegro and over 30,500 in Macedonia as well as some 260,000 internally displaced within Kosovo.</p> <p>3-man US patrol, members of a FRY/Macedonia border patrol drawn from UNPREDEP, ambushed and kidnapped by Serb security forces.</p> <p>Serbs destroying repositories containing Kosovo Albanian legal documents (birth certificates, etc) to make return of refugees more difficult.</p> <p>FRY FM Jovanovic writes to UNSG calling on him to stop NATO action under Article 99 of UN Charter.</p> <p>Chairman of Council of Europe Committee of Ministers makes declaration on humanitarian crisis in Kosovo.</p>
1 April	<p>EU Troika meets FMs of Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Hungary, Macedonia, Romania, and Slovenia at Koenigswinter (Petersburg) to discuss Kosovo crisis.</p> <p>3 captured US soldiers shown on FRY TV.</p> <p>Yeltsin calls for emergency G8 FM's meeting on Kosovo.</p> <p>Milosevic receives joint delegation of Russian State Duma and Belarus National Assembly.</p> <p>UCK Spokesman Jakup Krasniqi says Rambouillet accords defunct and UCK aiming for complete independence. Calls for NATO ground troops or for NATO to arm the UCK.</p> <p>Archbishop Tauran (Vatican FM equivalent) visits Belgrade to deliver personal message to Milosevic from the Pope.</p>

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	NATO bombs Tito bridge over Danube at Novi Sad.
	FRY TV shows Milosevic and Rugova meeting in Belgrade.
	Statement issued on their "complete agreement" that the crisis can only be solved through political means.
2 April	Macedonia's President Gligorov requests emergency assistance from EU to deal with Kosovo refugee crisis.
	Serb authorities close down Radio B-92.
3 April	UK announces a further £10m in humanitarian aid for Kosovo refugees.
	NATO bombs Serbian and FRY Interior Ministries in Belgrade.
	NATO bombs Sloboda (Freedom) bridge over Danube at Novi Sad.
	NATO SG Solana makes personal statement calling for an international protectorate for Kosovo.
	FRY PM Bulatovic writes to EU Commission President designate Prodi warning of unforeseeable consequences of NATO attacks.
4 April	The Pope, in his Easter public address, proposes opening a humanitarian corridor along the whole frontier of Kosovo to allow relief aid in.
	Russian reconnaissance ship sails through Dardanelles.
	US refugee coordinator, Julia Taft, visits refugee camps in Macedonia.
	Britain agrees to take "some thousands" of refugees from Kosovo.
4-5 April	Secretary of State for International Development, Ms Short in Skopje. Persuades Macedonians to create a temporary "safe haven" for refugees at Brazde airfield.
5 April	NATO approves despatch of Apache ground-attack helicopters and supporting missile system to Albania.
	Russia announces over \$1m humanitarian aid for FRY.
	NATO bombs HQ of Yugoslav air force and air defence in Belgrade.
	Rugova meets Russian Ambassador Kotov in Pristina.
6 April	Milosevic offers unilateral ceasefire for the Orthodox Easter. Rejected by NATO as insufficient. Welcomed by Russia.

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6-10 April	Monsignor Paglia (Sant'Egidio) in Belgrade.
7 April	<p>UNSG tells UN Commission on Human Rights that we must not allow the UN to become the refuge of the "ethnic cleanser" or mass murderer.</p> <p>Serbs close their side of border with Macedonia and Albania turning refugees back to Pristina.</p> <p>Secretary of state Cook pledges £100,000 to help Kosovo Albanians set up an information network.</p> <p>Contact Group (Political Directors) meet in Brussels.</p> <p>Russian FM Ivanov gives press conference accusing NATO of bombing Kosovo Albanian towns and villages and arming the KLA.</p> <p>First "airlift" from Macedonia to give temporary asylum to refugees in Europe/North America.</p> <p>EU Home Affairs Ministers meet in Luxembourg to discuss relief issues for Kosovo refugees.</p> <p>NATO announces 5 conditions for ending air strikes.</p>
7-8 April	Russian Duma Speaker Seleznev in Belgrade.
7-9 April	Mrs Ogata, UN High Commissioner for Refugees, in Tirana and Skopje.
8 April	<p>Serbs reopen their side of border with Macedonia.</p> <p>Special GAC on Kosovo attended by FMs from the region and representatives of international bodies. EU commits a further 250 meuro of assistance.</p> <p>NATO commits 8,000 additional troops to the Balkans to deal with Kosovo refugee problem.</p> <p>Norwegian FM and OSCE Chairman Vollebaek in Moscow for talks on Kosovo.</p>
9 April	<p>UNSG issues statement on Kosovo.</p> <p>Delegations of Russian generals and Cossack military chiefs meet Milosevic.</p> <p>US includes Croatia on list of countries qualified to directly purchase US arms.</p>

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9-10 April	G8 Political Directors in Dresden agree on principles which must be implemented to stop the fighting and resolve the Kosovo crisis.
10 April	<p>Russian "humanitarian aid" convoy refused entry into Hungary.</p> <p>Secretary of State Robin Cook discusses Kosovo by phone with Russian FM Ivanov.</p> <p>NATO reinforcements announced, including aircraft carrier HMS Invincible, destroyer HMS Newcastle, Royal Fleet auxiliary Fort Austin and an additional 82 US warplanes.</p> <p>Serb forces start firing mortars across FRY-Albanian border.</p>
11 April	<p>Albania gives NATO the right to control all its airspace, ports and other military infrastructure.</p> <p>NATO drops leaflets over FRY explaining why Serbia is under attack.</p> <p>Belarus and Egypt make peace initiative.</p> <p>Secretary of State Robin Cook speaks to UCK leader Thaci by phone.</p>
12 April	<p>NATO FMs meet in Brussels and issue statement of NATO's political demands. Guarantee to respond to any challenge by the FRY to Albania or Macedonia.</p> <p>Secretary of State Robin Cook meets UCK and "new Kosovo government" spokesman Jakup Krasniqi.</p> <p>Russian "humanitarian aid" convoy allowed to transit Hungary leaving half of 8 fuel tankers behind and accompanied into FRY by Hungarian observers.</p> <p>NATO attack on railway bridge near Leskovac in southern Serbia hits train killing at least 10.</p> <p>FRY FM Jovanovich says in interview with Italian paper Il Giornale that FRY willing to offer fullest possible autonomy for Kosovo within FRY, monitored by international civilian organisations, but would not accept foreign troops.</p> <p>FRY parliament votes to join Russia-Belarus Union.</p> <p>Milosevic writes to President Yeltsin urging him to consider the issue.</p> <p>Radio B-92 back on the air, but broadcasting official anti-NATO line.</p>
13 April	US Secretary of State Albright discusses Kosovo with Russian FM Ivanov in Oslo.

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	<p>In response to UCK activity FRY forces cross into northern Albania and occupy Kamenica border post before withdrawing.</p> <p>UN Commission on Human Rights adopts OIC sponsored resolution on human rights situation in Kosovo.</p> <p>Prime Minister makes statement to the House of Commons, including announcement of 1,800 additional British troops to Macedonia and Greece.</p>
14 April	<p>Belarus President Lukashenko visits Belgrade.</p> <p>Secretary of State Cook appears before Foreign Affairs Committee.</p> <p>European Council meeting in Brussels rejects "German peace plan" (which envisages a 24-hour ceasefire if Serb forces started to withdraw) and calls for an international conference on South Eastern Europe.</p> <p>NATO mistakenly bombs civilian vehicle in convoy near Djakovica. Belgrade claims 75 deaths.</p> <p>President Yeltsin appoints Chernomyrdin as Special Envoy on Kosovo.</p>
14-15 April	<p>European Parliament debates and adopts resolution on Kosovo.</p>
15 April	<p>Minister of State Tony Lloyd visits Tirana and Skopje to discuss refugee and humanitarian issues.</p> <p>Secretary of State Cook phone conversation on Kosovo with Russian FM Ivanov.</p>
16 April	<p>Rugova meets Serbian President Milutinovic and FRY Deputy PM Sainovic in Belgrade.</p> <p>Britain appoints Kosovo War Crimes Coordinator.</p> <p>FRY FM Jovanovic writes to UNSG Kofi Annan demanding NATO withdrawal from Macedonia and Albania.</p>
17 April	<p>NATO requests use of Bulgarian airspace.</p>
18-22 April	<p>Right Hon Paddy Ashdown MP visits Albania and Macedonia.</p>
19 April	<p>House of Commons debate on Kosovo.</p> <p>NATO admits that it may have bombed civilian vehicles and refugees in a second convoy near Djakovica on 14 April.</p> <p>PM Blair delivers strong message on Kosovo launching EBRD Annual meeting.</p>

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20 April	<p>Romanian government agrees NATO request for access to airspace (subject to parliamentary approval).</p> <p>Secretary of State Cook hands over background reporting to ICTY Prosecutor Judge Louise Arbour.</p> <p>PM Blair visits NATO HQ in Brussels and RAF Tornado crews at their base in Bruggen, Germany.</p> <p>Russian Patriarch Aleksei II visits Belgrade.</p> <p>First US Apache helicopters arrive in Albania.</p> <p>Home Secretary Straw announces that the first Kosovo refugees to come to the UK under UNHCR evacuation plans would arrive shortly, comprising 120 people mainly women and children.</p>
21 April	<p>NATO 19+1 meeting with Bulgarian PM Kostov.</p> <p>Russian FM Ivanov sets out 6 principles for Kosovo deal.</p> <p>NATO destroys third bridge across the Danube at Novi Sad.</p> <p>NATO bombs Serbian Socialist Party HQ.</p> <p>PM Blair discusses Kosovo with president Clinton in Washington.</p> <p>According to refugees women from villages near Suva Reka imprisoned and sexually abused.</p>
22 April	<p>Russian Special Envoy Chernomyrdin in Belgrade reports that Milosevic agreed to an international military presence under UN auspices, but FRY sources refer only to an international presence.</p> <p>Romanian parliament approves government decision to allow NATO unlimited use of Romanian airspace.</p> <p>FRY FM Jovanovic restates FRY conditions for ending the crisis in interview for Austrian paper 'Der Standard'.</p> <p>NATO bombs one of Milosevic's official Belgrade residences.</p> <p>Slovakia agrees to allow transit to NATO forces.</p> <p>PM Blair speaks to President Yeltsin from Washington.</p>
23 April	<p>NATO bombs Serbian state TV.</p>
23-25 April	<p>NATO Washington Summit. Declaration on Kosovo. Pledges to protect frontline states from FRY aggression and to launch a wider strategy to rebuild the Balkans.</p>



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24-26 April	ICRC President Sommaruga in Serbia. Meets Milosevic and the 3 US soldiers held captive.
25 April	First Kosovo refugees from current crisis arrive in UK.  Deputy PM Draskovic, in interview with Studio B TV, tells state leadership to stop lying to people in Serbia about the conflict and tell them the truth.
26 April	PM Blair statement on NATO Summit to House of Commons.  FRY Deputy PM Draskovic says Belgrade, including Milosevic, ready to accept UN or NATO peacekeepers in Kosovo if demanded by UNSC.  NATO bomb Zvezdjavac rail bridge at Novi Sad.  VJ attempts to take control of Studio B TV.  UNHCR reports 3,500 refugees arriving in Macedonia.
26-27 April	GAC imposes extensive sanctions against FRY, including oil embargo. Conclusions include warm language of support for Macedonia and Albania. A separate declaration on Bulgaria and Romania adopted.  Invitation made to Rugova to attend next GAC.
27 April	Secretary of State Cook appears before Foreign Affairs Committee.  US Deputy Secretary of State Strobe Talbott in Moscow for talks on Kosovo.  World Bank/IMF meeting on Kosovo crisis.  2,200 refugees reported arriving in Macedonia.  NATO precision-guided bomb strays 300 yards off course and explodes in residential area of Surdelica killing 27 civilians.
28 April	4,000 refugees cross into Macedonia with tales of large scale massacre at Meja near Djakovica.  Human Rights Watch publishes list of 27 atrocities and massacres committed by both sides since early 1998 for which it says there is documented evidence.  Deputy PM Draskovic sacked.  US House of Representatives votes to block funding of ground troops without Congressional approval and against approval of a non-binding resolution backing the air campaign.

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	British troops en route to FYROM assaulted and turned back by demonstrators at Thessaloniki port.
	FRY President Milutinovic and Rugova sign joint statement in Pristina calling for an end to NATO bombing and for Kosovo to be given "wide self-rule" within Serbia.
	Serbian authorities block transmission of dissenting interview with BBC's John Simpson by Vuk Obradovic, President of the Social Democratic Party.
29 April	UNSG Annan in Moscow for talks on Kosovo.
	Hungarian FM Martonyi in BBC TV interview categorically rules out ground force invasion of FRY from Hungary.
	FRY file ICJ case against UK and 9 other NATO members for illegal use of force, but ruled technically invalid.
	NATO bombs Milosevic's family home in Pozarevac.
	UNHCR report that refugee accounts suggest one of the worst atrocities in the conflict took place earlier in the week near Djakovica.
	Council of Europe passes recommendation on Kosovo.
	7,500 refugees enter Macedonia.
30 April	Mary Robinson, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, issues statement on ethnic cleansing in Kosovo.
	Russian Special Envoy Chernomyrdin in Belgrade.
	FRY announces 7 point plan.
	Defence Secretary Robertson and cross-party parliamentary group in Albania.
	12,000 refugees enter Albania and 8,300 enter Macedonia.
	Mrs Ogata, UN High Commissioner for Refugees, asks Australia, Canada and USA to accept refugees and criticises EU countries' efforts to accept refugees.
1 May	Over 9,000 refugees enter Albania and 3,200 enter Macedonia.
	NATO missile hit bus crossing bridge at Luzane north of Pristina. At least 23 civilians killed. NATO accepts responsibility on 2 May.

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	<p>NATO loses 2 aircraft: an American F-16 on a combat mission over Serbia (pilot rescued) and an American AV8B Harrier on a training exercise over the Adriatic.</p> <p>In an interview with US United Press International Milosevic rejects the possibility of a foreign military presence in Kosovo, but said that a UN mission was welcome.</p>
2 May	<p>Rev Jesse Jackson in Belgrade brokers release of 3 US captives. Returns to US with personal letter from Milosevic to President Clinton.</p> <p>3,900 refugees enter Macedonia and 3,300 enter Albania.</p> <p>FRY navy officially closes Bar port.</p> <p>Yugoslav Leftist Party (JUL) says FRY could accept an international force under the UN in Kosovo.</p>
3 May	<p>G8 political directors meet in Bonn and agree principles for resolution of crisis.</p> <p>NATO uses graphite bomb to short circuit FRY's electricity supply.</p> <p>NATO hits bus near Savine Vode, west of Pec. Up to 20 reported killed. NATO formally denies responsibility on 4 May.</p> <p>German Interior Minister, Otto Schily, says Germany will double its intake of Kosovo refugees to 20,000.</p>
3-4 May	<p>PM Blair in Macedonia and Romania for Kosovo related talks.</p> <p>According to UNHCR 19,400 refugees enter Macedonia and 2,500 enter Albania.</p> <p>Russian Special Envoy Chernomyrdin in Washington for talks with President Clinton, Vice-President Gore and senior members of the US Administration and in New York for talks with UNSG Annan.</p>
4 May	<p>European Parliament debate on Kosovo.</p> <p>Bulgarian Parliament ratifies agreement with NATO over airspace thereby bringing it into force.</p> <p>Outgoing Chairman of NATO's political military committee General Naumann talks about air campaign's failings.</p> <p>Italy announces plans to airlift 10,000 Kosovo refugees out of Macedonia.</p>

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	Home Secretary Jack Straw announces that Britain will take about 1,000 Kosovo refugees a week.
5 May	<p>President Clinton visits NATO HQ and US forces engaged in Kosovo campaign based in Germany.</p> <p>2,600 refugees enter Macedonia.</p> <p>Anti-NATO protesters attack UK military vehicle convoy outside Thessaloniki port injuring one UK serviceman.</p> <p>Rugova arrives in Rome from the FRY with his wife and children and some other relatives.</p> <p>Apache helicopter crashes during training mission killing both crew members. NATO's first two casualties.</p>
6 May	<p>G8 Foreign Ministers agree principles to resolve Kosovo crisis at meeting in Bonn.</p> <p>FRY accepts UN humanitarian assessment mission without preconditions and promises full cooperation.</p> <p>Secretary of State Cook talks by phone to Rugova in Italy.</p> <p>France announces that it will hand over a series of confidential documents to the ICTY and the nomination of a senior diplomat to coordinate the gathering of confidential information which could be of use to ICTY.</p> <p>UN Commissioner for Refugees, Sadako Ogata, in her first statement to the UN Security Council since the start of bombing attributes the refugee crisis to the systematic and intolerable violence being waged by Serbian forces against Kosovo Albanians.</p> <p>Greek Special Envoy Karolos Papoulias in Belgrade.</p>
7 May	<p>NATO hits Chinese Embassy in Belgrade by mistake with three bombs due to faulty intelligence. Three Chinese journalists reported dead and 20 wounded.</p> <p>NATO attack on Nis airport misses target and cluster bomb hits area near a hospital and a market. Yugoslav officials claim 15 killed and 70 wounded. NATO blames technical malfunction.</p> <p>UNSG appoints Carl Bildt and Eduard Kukan as UN Special Envoys.</p>
7-9 May	Russia conducts Vienna Document inspection of NATO troops in Macedonia.

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8 May	<p>Milosevic offers partial withdrawal of troops. Says that the campaign against the UCK had been completely successful. NATO rejects offer as inadequate.</p> <p>President of Macedonia Gligorov in interview with Italian paper La Repubblica categorically rules out the possibility of NATO troops entering Kosovo from Macedonia without agreement with FRY.</p>
9 May	<p>Relatives confirm death of Fehmi Agani, senior LDK member and member of Kosovo Albanian negotiating team at Rambouillet. He was taken from a train by Serb police while trying to flee to Macedonia.</p> <p>Russian Special Envoy Chernomyrdin in Bonn for talks with Chancellor Schroder, Rugova and UN Special Envoy Bildt.</p> <p>UN Special Envoy Bildt in Paris.</p>
10 May	<p>UN Special Envoy Bildt in London.</p> <p>Russian Special Envoy Chernomyrdin in China to discuss NATO's bombing of the Chinese Embassy and the Kosovo crisis.</p> <p>VJ Supreme Command issues statement that it ordered partial withdrawal of police and army from 2000 gmt on 9 May.</p> <p>Japanese envoy Yasushi Akashi in Belgrade for talks with Milosevic.</p>
10-12 May	<p>Advance party of UN humanitarian mission visits Belgrade tasked with assessing the needs of civilians in Kosovo and elsewhere in Yugoslavia.</p>
11 May	<p>Some 100 Serbs enter up to 1km into Albania north of Tropoje towards Kamenica, retreating after an exchange of fire with Albanian army and border police.</p>
12 May	<p>Albanian parliament passes resolution recognising the Kosovo provisional government led by Thaci.</p>
12 -13 May	<p>UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Mary Robinson visits FRY. Criticises NATO, quoting FRY figures for scale of civilian casualties as well as calling on FRY government to end the vicious human rights violations.</p>
13 May	<p>President Chirac in Moscow for talks on Kosovo.</p> <p>Serbs claim NATO cluster bombs killed about 100 ethnic Albanians in the village of Korisa near Prizren. UCK claims Serb forces used villagers as human shields.</p> <p>13-14 May LDK leader Rugova visits London for meetings with PM Blair and Secretary of State Cook.</p>

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14 May	<p>UN Security Council Presidential statement on bombing of Chinese Embassy in Belgrade.</p> <p>Secretary of State talks to UCK leader Thaci by phone.</p> <p>FRY charges two Australian aid workers, Steve Pratt and Peter Wallace, with spying.</p>
15 May	<p>15-strong UN humanitarian mission led by Sergio Vieira de Mello departs for FRY.</p> <p>UN adopts humanitarian resolution as UNSCR 1239.</p> <p>NATO says that the Serbs had set up a camp and command post at Korisa making it a legitimate military target.</p> <p>UN Human Rights Commissioner Mary Robinson expresses concern on Irish radio that NATO's bombing campaign lacked a sense of moral purpose which was eroded by the fact that it was not part of a military strategy to get in ground troops.</p>
16 May	<p>Newsweek magazine reports that US Joint Chiefs of Staff had written to US Defence Secretary William Cohen saying that only ground troops would guarantee fulfilment of the Administration's political objectives in Kosovo.</p>
17 May	<p>GAC adopts draft Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe and a parallel Common Position.</p> <p>Secretary of State Cook meets Russian FM Ivanov in Brussels.</p>
17-18 May	<p>Chernomyrdin, Talbott and Ahtisaari meet in Helsinki for talks on Kosovo.</p> <p>PM Blair in Bulgaria for talks on Kosovo.</p>
18 May	<p>House of Commons debates Kosovo.</p> <p>LDK leader Rugova meets NATO Secretary General Solana in Brussels.</p> <p>Anti-war protests in south Serbian towns of Krusevac and Aleksandrovac.</p> <p>PM Blair in Albania for talks on Kosovo.</p>
19 May	<p>G8 Political Directors meet in Bonn.</p> <p>Russian Special Envoy Chernomyrdin in Belgrade.</p>

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	<p>VJ soldiers from 3 battalions in Istok (north west Kosovo) desert and head for their home town of Krusevac after reports of riot police used against protesters.</p> <p>Several hundred people demonstrate in the north Serbian town of Pancevo against the mobilisation of reservists.</p> <p>NATO bombing causes collateral damage to a hospital (3 killed) and Swedish, Spanish and Norwegian Residences in Belgrade.</p>
19-20 May	UNSG visits Macedonia and Albania.
19-23 May	NATO makes several attacks on Istok prison in western Kosovo. Serbs claim dozens of prisoners killed and about 200 injured.
20 May	<p>Chernomyrdin, Talbott and Ahtisaari meet in Moscow for talks on Kosovo.</p> <p>NATO bombing causes damage to the Residencies of the Indian Ambassador and those of 5 other Ambassadors in Belgrade.</p>
20-21 May	Secretary of State Cook in USA for talks on Kosovo.
22 May	NATO admits to having bombed a UCK base at Kosare by mistake on 21 May. The base was a former Yugoslav border post captured from the Serbs more than a month ago. 7 UCK fighters reported killed and 15 wounded.
23-24 May	<p>Over 15,000 refugees cross into Macedonia.</p> <p>More than 1,000 Kosovo Albanian men from the Kosovska Mitrovica region, held in Serb captivity for three weeks, allowed to cross into Albania.</p> <p>Protesters in the southern and central Serbian towns of Krusevac, Aleksandrovac and Raska demonstrate demanding the return of conscripts from Kosovo.</p>
24 May	<p>ICRC (Red Cross) reopen an office in Pristina.</p> <p>Head of UN humanitarian mission Sergio Vieira de Mello says after his three day visit to Kosovo that the situation was worse than expected with clear evidence of widespread ethnic cleansing by Serb forces.</p>
25 May	<p>VJ threatens deserters with court martial.</p> <p>NATO agrees to increase number of troops for a Kosovo peace force from 28,000 to about 50,000.</p>
25-26 May	Chernomyrdin, Talbott and Ahtisaari meet in Moscow for talks on Kosovo.

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25-28 May	VJ shells villages inside Albania in the Krume region from which UCK believed to be seeking to set up a new supply corridor into Kosovo.
26 May	<p>Defence Secretary Robertson announces in the House of Commons that another 12,000 British troops are on standby to join an expanded NATO force in the region.</p> <p>Australian aid workers Steve Pratt and Peter Wallace go on trial for spying before a civilian closed court.</p> <p>LDK leader Rugova visits refugee camps at Blace and Brazda in Macedonia.</p>
27 May	<p>ICTY indicts President Milosevic, President of Serbia Milutinovic, FRY Prime Minister Sainovic, Serbian Interior Minister Stojiljkovic and VJ Chief of Staff Ojdanic. Charged with three counts of crimes against humanity committed against Kosovo Albanians this year - murder, deportation and persecution on political, racial and religious grounds. They were also charged with violating "the laws or customs of war".</p> <p>UCK leader Thaci and LDK leader Rugova meet French FM Vedrine separately in Paris.</p>
28 May	<p>Russian Special Envoy Chernomyrdin in Belgrade.</p> <p>Milosevic reported to have accepted G8 principles.</p> <p>UCK leader Thaci meets NATO Perm Reps in Brussels.</p>
29 May	Australian aid workers Steve Pratt and Peter Wallace sentenced to 12 and 4 years respectively for spying.
30 May	<p>UCK leader Thaci meets Secretary of State Cook.</p> <p>NATO bombs bridge in Varvarin (central Serbia). 11 civilians killed.</p>
31 May	<p>UCK leader Thaci meets EU Ministers at GAC. GAC adopts short declaration on Kosovo.</p> <p>FRY state newsagency Tanjug reports that Milosevic accepts G8 peace terms. G8 leaders caution that details remain to be settled.</p> <p>Serbs claim that NATO air raid on Surdulica, south of Belgrade, hit a sanatorium killing at least 20 patients.</p> <p>NATO attack on the Prizren-Brezovica road hits vehicle killing the driver and Frenchman Daniel Schiffer and injuring Times journalist Eve-Ann Prentice.</p>
1 June	NATO aircraft targeting Serb forces near the Kosovo border accidentally hit military bunkers in Albania.

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1-2 June	EU Russian and US Special Envoys Chernomyrdin, Ahtisaari and Talbot meet in Petersberg near Bonn.
2 June	<p>International Court of Justice (ICJ) rejects FRY's request for provisional measures against UK and 9 other NATO members for illegal use of force.</p> <p>Relief agency, International Rescue Committee, starts air drop of food to IDPs in Kosovo.</p>
2-3 June	EU and Russian Special Envoys Chernomyrdin and Ahtisaari in Belgrade.
3 June	<p>Milosevic, Serb parliament (136 votes for, 74 against, 3 abstentions) and FRY government accept "Chernomyrdin/Ahtisaari document".</p> <p>European Council adopts declaration calling for urgent work on a UNSCR.</p> <p>G8 Political Directors meet in Cologne minus the Russians.</p> <p>UCK leader Thaci and PM Blair meet for first time in Cologne.</p> <p>Macedonian government agrees to accept an additional 14,000 NATO troops in Macedonia.</p>
4 June	EU and US Special Envoys Ahtisaari and Talbott meet in Helsinki.
5-6 June	<p>ICRC team in Kosovo begins direct distribution of food parcels to IDPs.</p> <p>Lieutenant-General Sir Michael Jackson, Commander of NATO's Rapid Reaction Corps, meets Commanders of Serb forces to discuss Military Technical Agreement. Talks breakdown and Jackson says NATO will intensify its bombing.</p>
7 June	Kosovo Albanian leaders Thaci, Rugova and Qosja meet together for first time since the start of the crisis.
7-10 June	G8 Foreign Ministers meet in Bonn and Cologne. UNSCR agreed. South East European Stability Pact endorsed.
8 June	<p>PM Blair makes statement on Kosovo to House of Commons.</p> <p>US Secretary of State Albright meets Thaci, Rugova and Qosja.</p>
8-9 June	Lieutenant-General Sir Michael Jackson, Commander of NATO's Rapid Reaction Corps, resumes talks with Commanders of Serb forces and finalises Military Technical Agreement.

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9 June	<p>Defence Secretary Robertson announces peace agreement in statement to the House of Commons.</p> <p>(Thaci's) provisional government and UCK General Staff proclaim unilateral ceasefire effective when Serb forces cease actions against the UCK and civilian population and starts to withdraw from Kosovo. Also promise to respect all national minorities without discrimination and to be a reliable partner with international military and political institutions.</p>
10 June	<p>NATO Secretary General Solana announces the suspension of NATO's air operations against Yugoslavia.</p> <p>FRY starts withdrawal of forces from Kosovo.</p> <p>UNSCR 1244 on Kosovo adopted.</p> <p>Milosevic makes radio address to the nation praising the unity and heroism of the Yugoslav people, adding that Kosovo had not been lost and that the G8 and UN had agreed to guarantee the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the FRY.</p>
10-12 June	<p>US Special Representative Talbott in Moscow to discuss principles for Russian participation in KFOR.</p>
11 June	<p>150-500 Russian SFOR troops move from Bosnia through Serbia to Kosovo border.</p> <p>Vieira de Mello appointed as Special Representative of the Secretary General (SRSG) for Kosovo on interim basis.</p> <p>FRY government says that it expects "full war reparations" from NATO member countries.</p> <p>FRY government creates a committee for cooperation with the UN mission. FRY assistant Foreign Minister Nebosja Vujovic appointed to head the committee. Vujovic calls on Serbs to stay in Kosovo and on Albanians to return.</p> <p>(Thaci's) provisional government proclaims a general mobilisation with effect from 10 June until 1 July. It also appeals for all Kosovo Albanians to contribute at least DM500 to the "Homeland Calls" fund.</p> <p>Return of refugees to Kosovo begins as about 100 leave Macedonia.</p>
12 June	<p>Russian advance party enters Kosovo and takes control of parts of Pristina (Slatina) airport, setting up a check point at the entrance.</p> <p>KFOR enters Kosovo.</p>