

same draft document, without a single alteration, which the President had demanded be modified on July 31.

As we go to press, the entire force of British diplomacy and blackmail is being brought to bear on the U.S. presidency not to intervene to break the siege of Sarajevo, and on the Bosnian presidency to sign what is, in effect, its capitulation and liquidation as a state. The only hope is that Clinton acts now to prove them wrong.

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## Interview: Omar Beslagacic

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### They are trying to extinguish Bosnia

*Omar Beslagacic is mayor of Tuzla, Bosnia-Herzegovina. He was interviewed in Geneva on Aug. 2.*

**EIR:** What has to be done?

**Beslagacic:** Unblock the roads, the airport. And the phone blockade—we had 20 lines to Croatia and they were cut by the Croats. The blue roads must be opened.

**EIR:** What about the airport?

**Beslagacic:** The airport was ready to be opened one year ago. We asked all international organizations to open it but received no reply. My opinion is that it is an *international plot* not to open the airport. There is no other reason. We would fulfill the conditions if there were any. But there are none given. No reply from [U.N. Secretary General Boutros] Boutros-Ghali either, no reply from Owen, but we wrote to both of them.

We found out that a “procedure” on the airport has been moved in the U.N., but nothing has moved. This region is already economically closed down.

**EIR:** What is happening at these talks?

**Beslagacic:** They are trying to extinguish Bosnia-Herzegovina here. The mediators should follow the London conference rules but they don't; force should not be recognized, the refugees should be able to go back to where they were “purged” from, then the negotiations might make some sense. Today we talked with mediators. We asked for a guarantee that Bosnia continue in the U.N., even if it becomes a Union of Republics. They want it to be divided, but what are the parameters? Ethnic? Religious? What are their parameters?

Owen took us over to a map today. He showed us the

front lines. He said that these are the borders which could just be slightly changed. That means recognizing force as a means of solving the conflict.

**EIR:** What message do you want to send?

**Beslagacic:** I would like to send a message that what is happening in Bosnia is fascism, and if the world does not stop this fascism, there will be fascism soon in each one of your homes. And we will certainly have World War III.

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## Documentation

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### Hague International Court: Sorry, on vacation!

*The following is taken from the “Request for the Indication of Provisional Measures of Protection, Submitted by the Government of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina,” presented on July 27 to the International Court of Justice in The Hague by Prof. Francis Boyle. The request calls for applying to Serbia and Montenegro the provisions of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Genocide. Professor Boyle was acting as the General Agent of the Republic of Bosnia before that Court. The answer of the International Court to this last-ditch attempt to reestablish some form of justice in international relations, was that it could not meet before Aug. 25, because the judges had to have their vacations. Presenting this shameful statement to the press in Geneva, Professor Boyle remarked bitterly that “If you want justice, do not go to the International Court.”*

*On March 20 (see EIR, April 9, 1993), Professor Boyle had asked for provisional measures to stop the Bosnian holocaust. On April 8, the court issued an order to the Serbians to halt the genocide, but it contained no provisions for the order's implementation. From the July 27 request:*

At that time [March 20], I stated quite clearly that in the event the Respondent [Serbia] continued with its campaign of genocide . . . I would have no alternative but to file another Request. If I remember correctly, the President of the Court took note of my statement. . . . The time has come for me to carry out that commitment. . . . The Respondent paid absolutely no attention whatsoever to the Court's Order, and immediately proceeded to violate each and every one of its provisions. . . . Furthermore, pursuant to its campaign of genocide, the Respondent is now proposing their partition,