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SUBJ: REDUCTION OF MIHAJLOV'S SENTENCE

1. POLITIKA OCTOBER 13 CARRIED STORY SAYING THAT MIHAJLOV'S SENTENCE CUT FROM 4 1/2 TO 3 1/2 YEARS BY SERBIAN SUPREME COURT BECAUSE OF "POOR HEALTH" AND WENT ON TO EXPLAIN THAT, AFTER APRIL SENTENCE, MIHAJLOV'S ACTIONS "POINTED TO AN UNBALANCED MIND." HE WAS SUBJECTED TO EXAMINATION BY TWO PSYCHIATRISTS AT NEURO-PSYCHIATRIC CLINIC OF BELGRADE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL FACULTY. THEY CONCLUDED THAT HIS PSYCHOPATHIC PERSONALITY IS STILL NOT READY FOR SOCIAL ADAPTATION, BUT THAT HIS MENTAL

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CONDITION DOES NOT DIMINISH HIS ABILITY TO UNDERSTAND
SIGNIFICANCE OF HIS ACTIONS.

2. REDUCTION OF MIHAJLOV'S SENTENCE APPEARS POLITICALLY
MOTIVATED. IT ALLOWS REGIME TO CLAIM THAT IT HAS BEEN LENIENT
ON MIHAJLOV, WHILE AT SAME TIME KEEPING HIM BEHIND BARS FOR
CONSIDERABLE TIME AND DISPARAGING HIS SANITY.

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