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**YUGOSLAVIA: Ethnic Albanian Protests Continue in Kosovo**

An estimated 40,000 ethnic Albanians continued protests yesterday against Serbian political dominance in Yugoslavia's Kosovo Province. Kosovo party boss Morina publicly rejected protesters' demands that he resign. [redacted] report no violence, but the situation is becoming tense, journalists are being restricted, and the police presence has increased. [redacted] senior military officers are seriously concerned and are revamping contingency plans should the Army be directed to intervene. [redacted]

[redacted] The standoff between protesters and provincial and federal officials probably will continue through the weekend. The leadership will send in the military only as a last resort if major, organized violence erupts. With tensions running high, isolated incidents between Albanians and Serbs are now more likely. Even if the authorities can defuse the demonstrations, local ethnic frictions and Serbian leader Milosevic's drive for more control over Kosovo will continue to provoke periodic outbursts. [redacted]

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