Milosevic: Airstrikes must stop

President says he will not resume talks

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) -Yugoslav leader Slobodan Milosevic said Tuesday that NATO airstrikes must stop before peace talks over Kosovo can resume. President Clinton said later that the allies "must remain steady and determined."

A statement from Milosevic's office, read on state-run TV after the president had six hours of talks with Russian Prime Minister Yevgeny Primakov, said Milosevic would reduce his forces in Kosovo and allow refugees to return if NATO halts its air assault.

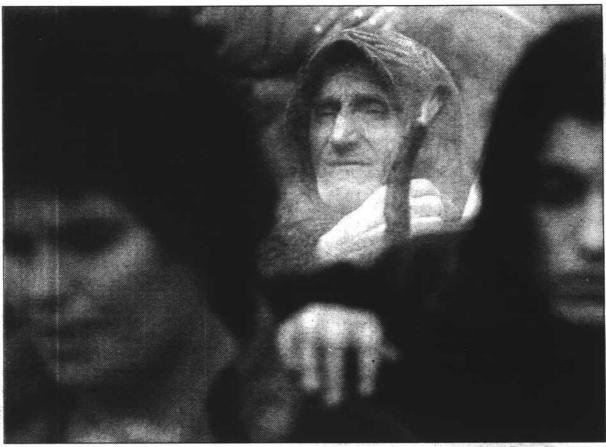
NATO, however, said it won't stop the airstrikes unless Milosevic ends the attacks on ethnic Albanians and agrees to accept a peacekeeping force in Kosovo under NATO leadership.

As darkness fell in Yugoslavia, air raid sirens sounded in Belgrade and at least four other cities, indicating a resumption of NATO airstrikes.

Milosevic's statement said "the Yugoslav leadership will accept Russia's suggestion that after the bombing stops, it will start decreasing the presence of a part of its forces in Kosovo who are there for the purpose of defense against aggression."

Primakov said the pledge by Milosevic was the outcome of their talks Tuesday, the highest-profile diplomatic effort yet to stop the conflict.

Schroeder immediately termed Milosevic's offer unacceptable: "This is no basis for a political solution," said Schroeder, speaking for the 15-nation European Union, of which Germany now holds the six-month rotating presi-



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AN ELDERLY KOSOVAR REFUGEE keeps warm using a torch as one in the group of several thousands of Albanian refugees stuck in the mountains on the Yugoslav-Macedonian border Tuesday.

The chancellor, after meeting with Primakov, said he would be talking with NATO representatives later Tuesday but he was certain they also would reject the overture.

"If there was ever any doubt what is at stake in Kosovo, Mr. Milosevic is certainly erasing it by his actions,' Clinton said. "They are the culmination of more than a decade of using ethnic and religious hatred as a justification for uprooting and murdering complete-

Mr. Milosevic's path to absolute

German Defense Minister Rudolf relent until he achieved his goal of ridding Kosovo of ethnic Albanians.

would be that of a graveyard," Scharping said.

About 90 minutes after Primakov left Belgrade, air raid sirens sounded in

ly innocent peaceful civilians to pave the capital for the first time all day.

Amid the diplomatic activity, air raid sirens also went off in Novi Sad, Kraljevo, Nis and Trstenik, indicating Scharping said Milosevic would not more NATO missile and bombing attacks were imminent.

NATO officials said the number of Then, the peace he would offer ethnic Albanians who have fled Kosovo in the last six days has grown to 118,000, and Pec, a city of 100,000 residents in western Kosovo, has been "almost totally destroyed."

RHA elections held today

By Bernard Vogelsang Staff writer

Students living in residence halls today elect new Residence Hall Association officers and senators for the 1999-2000 academic year.

Students can vote from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the food-service buildings of Abel/Sandoz, Cather /Pound/ Neihardt, and Harper/ Schramm/ Smith and Selleck halls, or in the lobby of Burr Hall.

Students must vote at the hall where they live.

Two parties, the Choice and the Zealous parties, are running for RHA executive board positions.

Choice's ticket includes Jadd Stevens for president, Liz Ormsby for vice president and Jason Ball for treasurer. Choice has no candidate

The priority of the Choice party weekend.

is to get students involved in their government.

"We run in this election because we want to inspire students to get involved," Ormsby said at an RHA election debate Tuesday night.

The Choice party also wants to address problems that face students who live in residence halls such as parking, special-interest floors and honors halls.

The Zealous party candidates are Dave Burns for president, Mike Buckneberg for vice president, Andrew Bayer for treasurer and Aja Bowling for secretary.

The Zealous party wants to increase the cooperation between RHA, the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska and the greek system.

Buckneberg, a junior finance d management major, said this should result in an annual UNL Mothers sort out baby confusion

NEW YORK (AP) - They were born to the same woman on the same day, loved and cared for in the same way, and raised as brothers.

But the 3-month-old boys are not related. One is black, one is white. They ended up in the same womb apparently due to a doctor's mistake.

Now the only mother the boys have ever known says she'll return the child who does not share her DNA the black child - to his genetic par-

"We're giving him up because we love him," Donna Fasano said in a handwritten statement supplied by her lawyer Tuesday.

"Both of these boys are beautiful - two precious, normal little boys, said her lawyer, Ivan Tantleff. "They sit in the swing together. They sit in the tub together. ... We're going to try to arrange some kind of visitation rights so the boys grow up to know that they are brothers."

Rudolph Silas, lawyer for the black couple, Deborah Perry-Rogers, a nurse, and Robert Rogers, a teacher, of Teaneck, N.J., said they are amenable to visitation. "It's in the children's best interest," he said.

Silas said the Rogerses will likely get custody in a few weeks, after DNA tests and legal papers are com-

"My clients are both ecstatic," Silas said. "They are the proud parents of a 3-month-old baby boy. Of course there's some mixed emotions in the manner in which it's been brought to this point. But they're happy she made the decision she's made.'

The case began April 24, 1998, when Fasano and Perry-Rogers underwent embryo implantations in the Manhattan offices of Dr. Lillian Nash. Only Fasano became pregnant.

Dr. Nash later advised Fasano she might have mistakenly received

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> RUDOLF SILAS parents' lawyer

Fasano sought DNA testing from another doctor and learned, while the babies were still in utero, that one was not hers. She did not know the other parents' identity until the Rogerses sued the Fasanos and Dr. Nash on March 16.

Tantleff said the Fasanos, who are in their late 30s and work in finance, will also sue Dr. Nash. A call to Dr. Nash was not returned.

George Annas, a professor of health law at the Boston University School of Public Health, said Fasano's decision "seems like a reasonable solution but it's got to be heart-wrenching."

"This is her son's brother. It is her child. They are twins, raised in the same uterus. They've been together for 14 months. They're twins in every sense - except genetic," Annas added. "The other mother did provide the genes, but she has no relationship with them. That's the tragedy of it."

David Lykken, professor emeritus from the University of Minnesota and an expert on twins, said if the boys are separated this young, there should be no lasting impact on their development.



Oregon

Philip Morris ordered to pay family of cancer victim

PORTLAND (AP) - In the biggest liability verdict ever against the tobacco industry, a jury ordered Philip Morris to pay \$81 million Tuesday to the family of a man who died of lung cancer after smoking Marlboros for four decades.

The victory by the wife and children of Jesse Williams was the second major hit against Philip Morris this year. A San Francisco jury awarded \$51.5 million last month to a Marlboro smoker who has inoperable lung cancer.

■ Washington, D.C.

Pentagon may face

shortage of cruise missiles

The Associated Press - The Pentagon is scrambling to avoid a shortage of cruise missiles, increasingly the weapon of choice in attacking heavily defended targets in places such as Iraq and Yugoslavia.

Before the latest NATO strikes over Kosovo and Serbia, the Air Force was down to 150 cruise missiles carrying conventional warheads. At least 30 have been launched since then. The Navy has more than 2,000 but is using them up at a faster rate. No cruise missile production line is in operation.

■ Washington, D.C. **Immigration deploys** 200 more agents

The Associated Press - The immigration service is deploying 200 agents to help state and local law enforcement agencies in 11 states, building on a recently implemented shift in its interior enforcement strategy.

Immigration and Naturalization Service Commissioner Doris Meissner announced Tuesday formation of 45 quick response teams that will be sent to Arkansas, Colorado, Georgia, Iowa, Kentucky, Missouri, Nebraska, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Utah.

India

Earthquake's aftershocks frighten rescue workers CHAMOLI

Aftershocks rattled buildings and sent rescue workers scampering out of damaged homes Tuesday in India's lower Himalayas, where a owerful earthquake killed at least 110 people a day earlier.

The isolated, mountainous area is 190 miles north of New Delhi, India's capital, where some buildings also suffered cracks and damage from Monday's 6.8 magnitude earthquake, the strongest this century in the quake-prone mountains.

Great Britain

Blair urges North to form **Protestant-Catholic ties**

BELFAST (AP) - Warning that they have "just one chance to make this thing work," Prime Minister Tony Blair pressed Northern Ireland politicians on Tuesday to transform their nearly year-old peace accord into a reality.

The British leader and Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern arrived at Belfast's Stormont Parliamentary Building together to try to persuade local politicians to finally form a new Protestant-Catholic government, the longdelayed centerpiece of the Good Friday peace accord.

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