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**NATO SECRETARY GENERAL TO VISIT  
FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA  
AND REPUBLIC OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA**

The Secretary General of NATO, Dr. Javier Solana, will visit the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Bosnia and Herzegovina on Monday and Tuesday, 24-25 March 1997. The Secretary General will be accompanied by General George A. Joulwan, Supreme Allied Commander Europe (SACEUR). During his visit to the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, he will meet the President, Mr. Kiro Gligorov, the Prime Minister, Mr. Branko Crvenkovski, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, Dr. Ljubomir Frckovski, and the Minister for Defence, Dr. Blagoj Handjiski. In Sarajevo, the NATO Secretary General will meet the members of the Bosnian Presidency, COMSFOR, General William Crouch, the Deputy High Representative, Mr. Michael Steiner, and representatives of the civilian organizations.

**MEDIA ADVISORY  
(not for publication)**

Monday, 24 March

- PM Arrival in Skopje.
- 16:00 Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Meeting with Minister for Foreign Affairs, Dr. Ljubomir Frckovski.
- 17:00 Residence of the President. Meeting with the President, Mr. Kiro Gligorov.
- 18:30 Ministry of Defence. Meeting with Minister of Defence, Dr. Blagoj Handjiski.
- 19:30 Government Building. Meeting with Prime Minister, Mr. Branko Crvenkovski, followed by meeting with the press.

Tuesday, 25 March

- AM Leave Skopje.
- Arrival at Sarajevo and meeting with General Crouch.
- Meeting with Deputy High Representative, Mr. Michael Steiner and representatives of civilian organizations.
- Meeting with the members of the Bosnian Presidency.
- 11:35 Holiday Inn. Joint press conference Secretary General and SACEUR.

The Secretary General's schedule is subject to change. For further information please contact NATO Press and Media Service in Brussels, tel: (32)2 707 50 41. Fax: (32)2 707 50 57.

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