

**Meeting between General Janvier
And General Mladic
June 4 1995**

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1. ARGUMENTS OF THE FORCE COMMANDER

The detained UN hostages:

The present situation is unacceptable, it is the product of a scandalous media show. The hostages that you are detaining must be released immediately, and their heavy materiel and equipment returned.

By your attitude, you are in effect placing yourself outside the international community. A direct and irreversible consequence of your actions against the UN soldiers is the arrival of a multinational brigade charged with increasing the security of the Blue Helmets.

2. THE POSITIONS OF GENERAL MLADIC

The consequences of the air strikes:

The goal of the Serbs is certainly to obtain a guarantee that there will be no more air strikes in the future. The liberation of the "prisoners of war" still detained by the Serbs is directly linked to this guarantee.

The Bosnian Serbs were shocked by the air strikes. General Mladic even prepared, during the course of the meeting that lasted more than five hours, the text of a three-point agreement which he wanted to ratify immediately:

Agreement between the Chief of Staff of the Repuiblika Srpska Army and the Commander of UN peacekeeping forces...

General Bernard Janvier and General Ratko Mladic agreed on the following points:

1. *The RSA will no longer threaten the life and security of UNPROFOR members through the use of force.*
2. *UNPROFOR agrees not to use any type of force [against the RSA] nor to conduct air strikes on targets in the territory of RS.*
3. *The signature of this agreement will lead automatically to the liberation of all prisoners of war...*

The most important result of the recent air strikes appears to be the fact that from now on, in the eyes of the Bosnian Serbs, the UN has clearly sided with the Bosniacs.