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The following is a letter from a 26 year-old Serbian female, Ms. Zeljka Kasagic, of Banja Luka, Srpska. The letter was written in a response to inquiries by Global Network Initiative staffer Gil Grein concerning the current crisis between the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and Yugoslavia and was received on April 15, 1999. Very slight editing of the letter was effected by the IBPP Editorial Board.

First of all, I have to apologize for the length of my letter. It'll be a long, long explanation of who I am and what's my relation to Serbia. I was born in Bosnia, but I enrolled at Belgrade University in 1991 as a student of Japanese language and literature. I've been living there ever since. Currently, I work for a respectable international humanitarian organization in Banja Luka (Republic of Srpska) which will soon be integrated in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Repatriation of minority ethnic groups is the main field of my work (return of Croats and Bosniacs to Republic of Srpska). I feel free to say that therefore I am an open-minded person who doesn't care about nationality when it comes to help to the most needy in a community. I'm also the organization's communications officer responsible for public/media relations. I won't be able to answer all you questions, because I'm not in the zone of NATO operations, but I can give you some e-mail addresses of my friends who would be glad to send their voice to the Global Network Initiative.

So, I'm not directly endangered by bombing. You are probably aware that I spent the most important years of my life in that country. My suffering is of a different kind. I'm not scared, just angry because my friends are in great danger of being killed by New World Order fascists. Not only Serbs, Albanians are being killed, too, because of this NATO mess.

Last night I couldn't help but crying. Do you know what has been happening in the last two days? First, the train had been struck, 50 killed. CNN and SKY reported that 10 people were killed !!!??? All Serbs. Then, a day later, NATO aircraft hit the convoy of Albanian refugees that had been targeted just because they wanted to return to Kosovo to live with their Serb friends. All Albanians. Women, children, old people....Legs, heads, arms.....All over the blood-covered grass near Djakovica. Don't you see? They killed Albanians, because if Albanian people are returning to Kosovo, they (NATO) couldn't sell that stupid story of "Humanitarian Catastrophe."

Dear God, where are you now, to send some justice to the Earth? Do you see the suffering of innocent people of all ethnic groups and blood-shed? I keep sending letters to CNN and SKY. No publishing, nothing. For the third time in this century, Serbs are being attacked. Dear Gil, I could write a whole book of tears, history, ..... political interest of the USA, military interest in this area, but it would take ages. If you're still interested in my point of view, please don't hesitate to contact me.

PS. All the Albanian men are missing cause they are in training camps in Albania. They are being trained by American, Britain and German military trainers, preparing to fight Serbs for a few weeks. These countries are also providing the weapons and ammo for the KLA (Kosovo Liberation Army). That's where all the men are, my dear. The source of this information is very, very reliable. (Keywords: Kosovo, NATO, Serbia, Srbska.)