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Zapisi i sjećanja komandanata brigada Armije Bosne i Hercegovine s područja Gračanice

Proteklog proljeća navršilo se punih 30 godina od početka agresije na Bosnu i Hercegovinu i troipogodišnjeg rata, u kome je Gračanica pretrpjela znatna razaranja, ogromne štete, ali i velike ljudske gubitke. Ipak, hrabrošću, odlučnošću i žrtvom ovdašnjih boraca – i naroda uopće, ovaj grad je odbranjen i sačuvan. Gračanica je izbjegla sudbinu Bijeljine, Zvornika, Višegrada, Foče, Brčkog, Vlasenice, Doboja, Prijedora, Srebrenice i brojnih drugih bosanskohercegovačkih gradova koji su okupirani i osvojeni od velikosrpskog agresora, postavši tako stratišta i mjesta neviđenih zločina.

U povodu 30. godišnjice od početka agresije i Odbrambeno-oslobodilačkog rata (1992.-1995.), na stranicama našeg časopisa, u prošlome, 53. broju, objavili smo sjećanja najznačajnijih predstavnika vojne komande i civilnog rukovodstva na području tadašnje općine Gračanica, nosilaca ključnih funkcija u razdoblju priprema za odbranu i njene neposredne organizacije. U ovome broju, kao nastavak, objavljujemo sjećanja i zapise komandanata 111./221. gračaničke brigade, jedinice koja je branila i odbranila prostore Gračanice, ali i dala značajan doprinos odbrani slobodnog teritorija Republike Bosne i Hercegovine.

U ovome broju, donosimo memoarske zapise: **Tarika Nuhanovića** – prvog komandanta 111. gračaničke brigade; **Smaila Mešića** – načelnika štaba 109. brigade, a zatim komandanta 111. brigade, te načelnika štaba 22. divizije; **Džemala Jukana** – komandanta 109. brigade, a zatim i 221. brigade, te **Smajila Oštrakovića** – načelnika štaba 111. brigade i njenog posljednjeg komandanta.

Kao poseban dodatak memoarskim zapisima navedenih komandanata, objavljujemo i priređen transkript iskaza **rahmetli Bahrije Džananovića** – načelnika štaba 111. brigade, a zatim i komandanta 212. bosanske oslobodilačke brigade.

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Iskaz je zabilježen u audiovizualnoj formi, u okviru projekta "Govorna historija 1992.-1995." kojeg je u saradnji s J.U. Muzej "Alija Izetbegović (1925. -2003.)" Sarajevo realizirao general-major Armije RBiH u penziji Fikret Muslimović, inače saradnik ovog časopisa. Uz rahmetli komandanta Džananića, u okviru istog projekta, snimljeni su i iskazi Smaila Mešića i Džemala Jukana, koji su na izvjestan način poslužili kao osnova za tekstove, koje uz njihovu izvjesnu doradu i proširenje objavljujemo u formi cjelovitih memoarskih zapisa.

Svi tekstovi, objavljeni u prošlom i ovom broju našeg časopisa u formi sjećanja važnih ličnosti za odbranu Gračanice, predstavljaju vrijedno historijsko svjedočanstvo o doprinosu kojeg su ovdašnji ljudi dali za odbranu Bosne i Hercegovine, kao i oslobađanje njenog privremeno okupiranog teritorija.

Iskreno se nadamo da će ovi zapisi biti koristan izvor za buduća proučavanja razdoblja Odbambeno-oslobodilačkog rata 1992.-1995. na prostorima Gračanice i ovoga dijela Bosne.

Redakcija

RECORDS AND MEMORIES OF THE BRIGADE COMMANDERS OF THE ARMY OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA FROM THE GRAČANICA AREA

This past spring marked the 30 years anniversary since the beginning of the aggression against Bosnia and Herzegovina, and the war that lasted three and a half years in which Gračanica suffered considerable destruction, enormous material damage and great human losses.

However, thanks to the courage, determination and sacrifice of the local soldiers – and the people in general – this city was successfully defended and preserved. Gračanica escaped the fate of Bijeljina, Zvornik, Višegrad, Foča, Brčko, Vlasenica, Doboj, Prije-

dor, Srebrenica and numerous other Bosnian cities that were occupied and conquered by the Greater-Serbian aggressor, thus becoming sites of execution and places of unprecedented crimes.

On the occasion of the 30th anniversary of the beginning of the aggression and the war of defense and liberation (1992-1995) – in the last, 53rd issue—we published the memories of the most important representatives of the military command and civilian leadership on the territory of the then municipality of Gračanica, the bearers of key functions in the period of preparation of the defense and the immediate organization of resistance. In this issue, as a continuation, we publish the memoirs and records of the commanders of the 111th / 221st Gračanica brigade, a unit that defended and successfully preserved the areas of Gračanica, but also made a significant contribution to the defense of the free territory of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

In this issue we publish the following memoirs of: Tarik Nuhanović, the first commander of the 111th Gračanica Brigade; Smail Mešić, Chief of Staff of the 109th Brigade, later Commander of the 111th Brigade, and Chief of Staff of the 22nd Division; Džemal Jukan—commander of the 109th brigade, and later the 221st brigade, and Smajilo Oštraković—the chief of staff of the 111th brigade and its last commander.

As a special addition to the memoirs of the aforementioned commanders, we also publish a prepared transcript of the testimony of the late Bahrija Džananović – Chief of staff of the 111th Brigade, later commander of the 212th Bosnian liberation brigade. The statement was recorded in an audiovisual form, within the project "Oral history 1992-1995", which was realized by retired Major General of Army of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina Fikret Muslimović, a contributor to our magazine, in cooperation with the Museum "Alija Izetbegović".

In addition to the late commander Džananić, other recordings were made within the same project, the statements of Smail Mešić and Džemal Jukan were also recorded, which were in a certain way a base for the later texts, which we publish in forms of complete memoirs with some additional refinement and expansion.

All the texts, published in the last and current issue of our magazine in the form of memoirs of important figures for the defense

of Gračanica represent a valuable historical testimony on the contribution made by the local population to the defense of Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as to the liberation of its temporarily occupied territory.

We sincerely hope that these records will be a useful source for future studies of the period of the Defense-Liberation War 1992-1995 in the Gračanica area and this part of Bosnia.

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