

for Jugoslav's release, but the Albanian refused. The SUP in Rahovec/Orahovac later told Dragoljub that he must not hand over any weapons. To this day, nothing further is known of Jugoslav's fate. On the ICRC list of missing persons, his disappearance is listed under YUK-050095-01.

**Sources:** statement of L.K, HLC-583; statement of O.B, HLC-3900; statement of V.K, HLC-13527; statement of M.N, HLC-460; statement of M.D, HLC-470; ICRC, *Persons missing..*, HLC-9795; GSM DTC, *List..*, HLC-8817; SIA, *Pashtrik..*, 61, HLC-16913; *Nedopustiva nebriga i neodgovornost*, Oteta istina no 15, July-September 2008, 17, HLC-19947; *Šta je sa otetima*, Ilustrovana politika, 28.11.1998, 7-8, HLC-32281.

### Bedri (Samedin) Berisha

(born 1/05/1966, Albanian from Brestoc/Brestovac, Rahovec/Orahovac municipality, farmer, five children)

On 3 June 1998, Bedri went with his mother Nysrete to visit his uncle Islam Hoti in the village of Ratkoc/Ratkovac. At about 17:00h, two KLA soldiers [their names are known to the HLC] arrived outside Islam's house. They began to fire into the air and called on Bedri to come out, which he did. After a brief conversation, they took him away. The soldiers said that they were taking him to be questioned and would bring him back afterwards. After a few hours, Bedri's cousin heard that Bedri had been taken to the KLA staff HQ in **Drenoc/Drenovac**. Nysrete tried more than twenty times to visit him, but they would not let her. It was only on **13 July 1998** that she was allowed to see Bedri in the primary school building in Drenoc/Drenovac. His appeared to be in a very poor condition. He was depressed, and his clothes were bloodstained. A week later, on Saturday 20 July 1998, Bedri's parents, Samedin and Nysrete, went again to visit him with his brother Sali. They found the KLA staff HQ empty and the building burnt out. There was no trace of Bedri. The family searched for Bedri in the surrounding villages, but no one knew anything. Almost nine years later, on 10 January 2007, the family received Bedri's mortal remains, found at the

cemetery in Pejë/Peć, and laid him to rest at the cemetery in Brestoc/Brestovac.

In April 2009, the Kosovo Supreme Court sentenced members of the KLA military police Selim Krasniqi, Bedri Zyberaj and Agron Krasniqi, to several years in prison each for the unlawful detention and inhumane treatment of Bedri Berisha and other detainees in the KLA prison in Drenoc/Drenovac.

**Sources:** statement of H.B, HLC-14344; District Court of Prizren, K.no 8512005 (S. Krasniqi et al.), judgement, 10.08.2006, HLC-33923; Supreme Court of Kosovo, K.Z. 37112008, (S. Krasniqi et al.), judgement, 10.04.2009, HLC-29712; SIA, *Pashtrik..*, 59, HLC-16913.

### Avdi (Muhamet) Berisha

(born 9/06/1933, Albanian from Brestoc/Brestovac, Rahovec/Orahovac municipality, farmer, eight children)

Avdi lived with his wife Nuria, son Selim, daughter-in-law and grand children, whilst four other sons lived abroad with their families. In July 1998, his son Muhamet returned from Germany. He joined the KLA on the Kosovo-Albanian border. At 13:15h on **13 July 1998**, seven members of the KLA military police arrived outside Avdi's house and ordered him to come with them. They told the family that they were taking him to the staff HQ in **Drenoc/Drenovac**, and that they were to come for him in two days. His son Milaim [who had arrived a month before from Switzerland] and a family friend, Halim, went to Drenoc/Drenovac, but they did not see Avdi. Some commanding officers told them he was alive. They said that the neighbours had reported Avdi for buying land from a Serb. The sons went several times to the staff HQ to enquire for their father. In early August 1998, Avdi's son Muhamet went to Selim Krasniqi, who told him that Avdi had been transferred to *Drenica*. What became of Avdi's mortal remains is still unknown up to this day. His disappearance is entered on the ICRC list of missing persons under YUK-050106-01.

In April 2009, the Kosovo Supreme Court sentenced members of the KLA mi-