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exchange of fire
near Groznyy today. Video shows tanks, helicopters, APC. Video
report description of the course of the battle, in which a convoy was
ambushed by
rebel fire. A soldier died, two are wounded. Video shows Mi-24
helicopter
coming under projectile attack. Rebels managed to retreat into a
wooded area.

- 3. 1704 Report over video from Macedonia on the start of NATO peacekeeping operation there. Correspondent Vladimir Solovyev provides details in a live report from Skopje.
- 4. 1707 Report over video from Brussels where NATO discussed Macedonia in today.
- 5. 1708 Vladimir Putin had a telephone conversation with Ariel Sharon on the situation in Israel.
- 6. 1709 Roman Babayan video report from Ramallah on an anti-Israeli rally there.
- 7. 1712 Today is the third anniversary of the collapse of Russian currency.
  Archive footage on the scenes at the time. Natalya Semenikhina video report on the background. Deputy Prime Minister Aleksey Kudrin says budget income exceeds spending and this is a guarantee that a similar situation will not recur.
  Various banking officials also interviewed.
- 8. 1715 Video report from flood-stricken Lensk, where various malpractices have been discovered in the housing sector.
- 9. 1717 Boris Semenov video report from Irkutsk Region on the final day of gubernatorial electioneering there. Aleksandr Veshnyakov, chairman of the Central Electoral Commission, commented.
- 10. 1720 Video report from MAKS-2001 air show, featuring Russkiye Vityazi [equivalent of Red Devils] aerobatic show. Commander Sergey Klimov, Lt-Col Dmitriy Khachkovskiy, others praise their part in the show. [VIDEO INTEREST]
- 11. 1723 Vladimir Putin greeted Chinese president today to mark latter's

birthday. Profile of Jiang Zemin.

- 12. 1726 Vladimir Putin is on holiday in Karelia. Video shows Putin's vessel on river, visiting village, tasting jam, making clay dish.
- $13.\ 1726\ \text{Video}$  report from St Petersburg, where a student used amateur
- \*camera and filmed a UFO on 8 August; not recorded by radars.
- \*February 1997 UFO
- \*footage shown, too. Mikhail Gershteyn, captioned as UFO expert, interviewed.

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