



Key Quotes

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan has directed harsh words towards Europe recently, accusing the EU of turning the Mediterranean into a 'cemetery', a reference to the migrant crisis, but on the eve of his visit to Brussels, he took a softer tone, telling parliament he wanted to open a **"new page"** and saying Ankara still wanted to join the European Union despite Brussels effectively closing the doors to all newcomers until 2020. **"We are carrying on with our efforts for full membership of the EU as we struggle to find solutions to the problems we are facing in our region,"** Erdoğan said (eubusiness.com, BE, 4/10). <http://www.eubusiness.com/news-eu/turkey-europe.14kc>

Summary

Red lines in the name dispute

Greece plans to solve the name dispute with the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia by selecting a complex name with a geographic term for broad use. This is what Greek Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras has said at a meeting with US Secretary of State John Kerry, Macedonian Vecer daily writes. At the meeting Mr Tsipras said that Athens expected the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia to show good will in finding a solution to the name issue. According to sources, the Prime Minister's approach aimed at *"taking Washington's pulse"* over America's approach towards the Greek red lines (focus-news.net, BG, 2/10). On the other side a day before the Prime Minister of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Nikola Gruevski addressed the UN General Assembly, the United Macedonian Diaspora called on the Prime Minister to show a leader's position and announce the end of the name issue talks, according to Utrinski vesnik daily. The organisation calls for an end to the *"shameful name issue negotiations"* (focus-news.net, BG, 2/10).

- focus-news.net, BG, 2/10, <http://www.focus-fen.net/news/2015/10/02/384901/vecer-macedonia-greece-takes-washingtons-pulse-over-name-issue.html>
- focus-news.net, BG, 2/10, <http://www.focus-fen.net/news/2015/10/02/384904/utrinski-vesnik-macedonia-macedonian-diaspora-wants-patriotic-address-by-pm-at-un.html>

US support for Serbia Kosovo agreements

The United States supports the agreements reached on 25 August in Brussels between Kosovo and Serbia, said the US ambassador in Pristina, Greg Delawie, who then urged the opposition not to block parliamentary work. *"Opposition parties should express their views through discussion, not with the launch of eggs"* he said. Delawie stressed that the United States supports fully an agreement on the establishment of the Association of municipalities with a Serb majority, *"that does not violate the laws and the Constitution of Kosovo"*. The ambassador insisted that the United States remains the most powerful friend and supporter of Kosovo, which would not support an agreement in violation of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the country (Agenzianova.com, IT, 2/10).

- Agenzianova.com, IT, 2/10, <http://www.agenzianova.com/a/0/1219654/2015-10-02/kosovo-ambasciatore-usa-a-pristina-sostegno-ad-accordi-mediati-dall-ue-tra-pristina-e-belgrado>

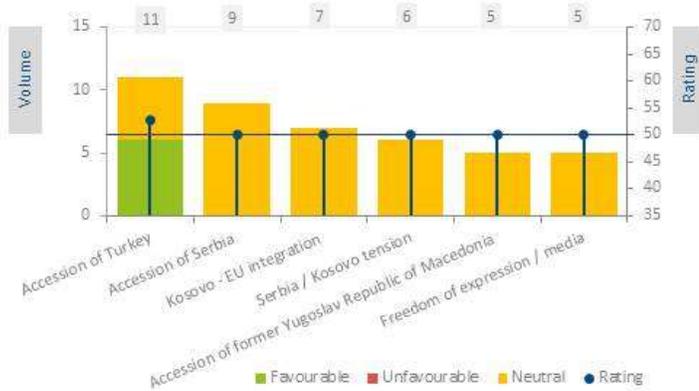
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia still struggling to find political solution

The implementation of the agreement for the solution of the political crisis is yet to be finalized in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. Disputes and clashes are mainly focussed on electoral issues. Leader of SDSM (Macedonian Social Democratic Union) Zoran Zaev, declared that the representatives of the government are blocking the work groups. In order to have fair elections, Zaev says that the name of the Minister of the Interior is important. Based on the implementation plan, there is until 20 October for the opposition to propose a Minister of Interior and a Minister of Social Affairs, who will be part of the government (balkaneu.com, GR, 2/10).

- balkaneu.com, GR, 2/10, <http://www.balkaneu.com/clashes-largest-political-parties-fyr-macedonia/>

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