



Key Quotes

The Economist writes that "*Kosovo's election showed that, although a sort of banal normality has settled on most of the country, the confused and angry Serbs in the north remain a problem. But no one ever said that making peace was easy*" (The Economist, UK, 8/11). <http://www.economist.com/news/europe/21589481-largely-smooth-local-election-country-turbulent-past-only-minor-disturbance>

Summary

Local election in northern Kosovo will partly be re-held.

Prime Ministers Ivica Dačić and Hashim Thaçi agreed with EU foreign policy chief Catherine Ashton to "*follow through with elections to a successful conclusion*". The second election round is scheduled for December. Incidents in Mitrovica are regarded as protest by the local population and not as encouraged by Belgrade (Frankfurter-Allgemeine-Zeitung, DE, 7/11). Following the dialogue in Brussels, Serbian Prime Minister Ivica Dačić called on Serbs to take part in the re-run elections in three polling stations in Kosovska Mitrovica in large numbers and peacefully. "*The stakes are high – legitimate and legal Serb authorities in northern Kosovo and Serbia's progress towards the EU. Nothing can be solved with a gun, only with wise politics,*" he emphasised. Mr. Dačić marked yesterday's talks with Kosovo Prime Minister Hashim Thaçi and EU High Representative Catherine Ashton as good (Vecer, SI, 7/11). After hosting the two premiers in the latest in a series of EU-sponsored peace talks, Ashton said "*I am pleased that the prime ministers agreed today on the way forward for completing successfully the electoral process in northern Kosovo*" (eubusiness.com, UK, 6/11). An official close to the Central Election Commission told The Associated Press the new voting will be held on November 17 (news.uk.msn.com, UK, 6/11).

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Rights in Turkey

Rights groups accused Turkey's courts of using anti-terrorism laws to silence dissent on Wednesday after three journalists were handed life sentences for alleged links to a banned far-left organisation. The journalists were among seven defendants sentenced to life in jail on Tuesday in the trial of suspected members of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party (MLKP), charged with trying to "*violently overthrow the constitutional order*". Since coming to power in 2002, Prime Minister Tayyip Erdoğan has earned praise for reforms aimed at bringing the EU candidate nation closer to European Union norms and for liberalising an economy which has brought unprecedented prosperity. But his government is also accused of trying to tame the media, control the judiciary and smother opposition. Füsün Erdoğan, founder of radio station Özgür Radyo and a columnist at human rights-focused website Bianet, along with Ibrahim Çiçek and Bayram Namaz of far-left magazine Atilim, were accused of being among the leaders of the MLKP (uk.news.yahoo.com, UK, 6/11).

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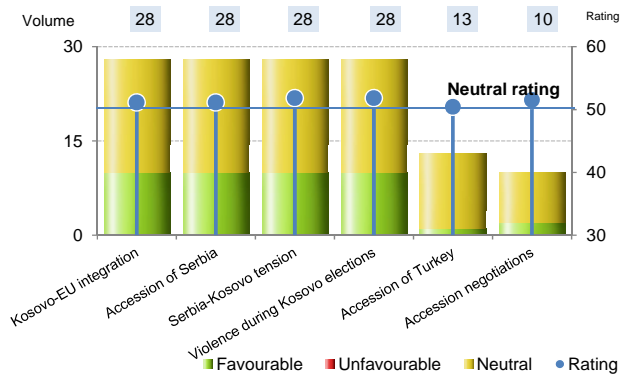
Partnership between the European Union and the bi-communal Technical Committee on Cultural Heritage in Cyprus

To mark the successful partnership between the European Union and the bi-communal Technical Committee on Cultural Heritage, an event will be held on Friday 8 November in the Nicosia buffer zone. During the event, the European Commission, in partnership with the Technical Committee on Cultural Heritage and the United Nations Development Programme's Partnership for the Future, will present the cultural heritage preservation projects that are setting a positive example of successful collaboration between Greek Cypriots and Turkish Cypriots in the field of cultural heritage (Politis-Cyprus, CY, 7/11). However, U.N. diplomats struggled on Wednesday to revive stalled peace talks on Cyprus. Alexander Downer, the UN special representative for the island, said efforts were "*inching ahead, not leaping ahead*" (uk.reuters.com, UK, 6/11).

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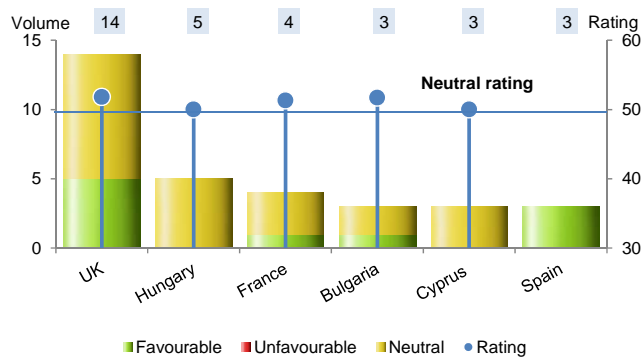
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Hashim Thaçi (Prime Minister, Kosovo)	23
Baroness Catherine Ashton, (High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, EU)	22
Edi Rama (Prime Minister, Albania)	16
Ban Ki-moon (Secretary General, UN)	8
Ivica Dačić (Prime Minister, Serbia)	7
Recep Tayyip Erdoğan (Prime Minister, Turkey)	5
Alexander Downer (Special Adviser on Cyprus, UN)	5

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