



Key Quotes

"What happened in Bosnia is a wake-up call," British Foreign Secretary William Hague told reporters. "We need to focus more efforts on helping Bosnia towards the EU, towards NATO membership, so that the stagnation in Bosnian politics and government can come to an end, and I think it's probably going to become a more important issue over the coming months" (Reuters, UK, 10/2).

<http://uk.reuters.com/article/2014/02/10/uk-bosnia-protest-idUKBREA1917F20140210>

Turkey-EU: 'Lapse in interest on both sides'. Fadi Hakura from Chatham House thinks neither side is that keen on membership: "None of the European countries want to push Turkey's accession and neither is Turkey that interested in joining the EU. So, what we have is a process in a comatose state, where both sides pretend that they want accession" ([dw.de](http://www.dw.de), DE, 10/2).

<http://www.dw.de/turkey-eu-lapse-in-interest-on-both-sides/a-17422364>

Summary

Violent protests against corruption and poverty in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Bosnians were working to clean the streets of their capital on Sunday, and assessing the political ramifications of three days of unprecedented unrest over unemployment, political paralysis and corruption that for some brought back painful memories of the Balkan country's 1992-95 war. Some Sarajevans argued that force was the only language their leaders would understand. "This had to happen. If they were smart, it wouldn't have," said Mirsad Dedovic, 56. "Part of me was sorry when I saw what was happening yesterday. But then again, let it burn" (independent.co.uk, UK, 9/2). An eventual escalation of tension in Bosnia and Herzegovina might result in intervention of EU forces, a high official warned Sunday. Valentin Inzko, High Representative of the international community in Bosnia and Herzegovina, explained that the situation in the country will be examined next Tuesday. "Austria will increase its troops, but if it comes to escalation we would have to consider the intervention of EU forces. Currently, we do not have such intention," Inzko said. "It all began in the town of Tuzla, where workers have not been paid for over a year. They have been protesting every Wednesday, but no one paid attention to them" Inzko said adding that the current situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina is the worst since 1995 (novinite.com, BG, 9/2).

- independent.co.uk, UK, 9/2, <http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/europe/bosnian-riots-we-will-clean-up-this-mess-as-we-will-clean-up-politicians-9117704.html>
- novinite.com, BG, 9/2, <http://www.novinite.com/articles/158040/EU+to+Consider+Intervention+in+Bosnia+if+Tension+Escalates>

Turkey Cyprus tension

The European Commission is reported to be ready to support President Nicos Anastasiades and Turkish Cypriot leader Dervis Eroglu in the new round of talks for a Cyprus solution, expected to begin this week. In doing so, the Commission hopes to create conditions for the solution of the Cyprus problem and the disengagement of Turkey's EU accession from the Cyprus problem. Besides, European Commission President José Manuel Barroso is said to be ready to appoint another technocrat to enlarge the team in charge of the Cyprus talks (ANT-1-TV, CY, 8/2).

- ANT-1-TV, CY, 8/2, [link not available]

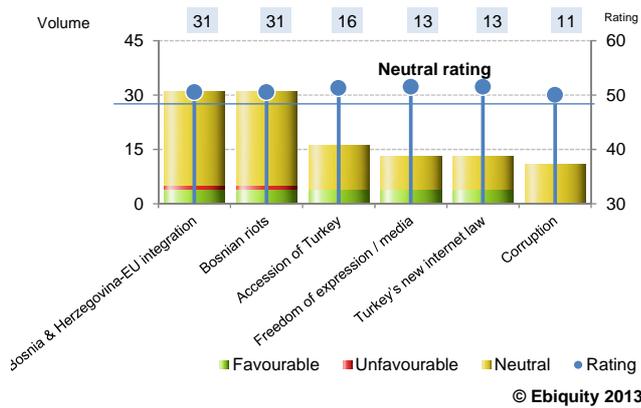
Fethullah Gülen movement and the police

The policeman was not long into his police training when he realised how the system worked. The good jobs, better pay, promotion prospects all depended on your dedication to a shadowy Islamic network based in Pennsylvania. "They kept tabs on every recruit, had a grading system from zero to five - five being the ones who prayed, fasted, never drank alcohol," the policeman said, referring to the movement founded by the Muslim cleric Fethullah Gülen, who lives in exile in the US. The power and the influence of the elderly cleric is the defining issue of Turkish politics. In Turkey it has long been assumed that Gülen's network exercised unaccountable influence inside the judicial and security apparatus (Guardian, UK, 10/2).

- Guardian, UK, 10/2, [link not available]

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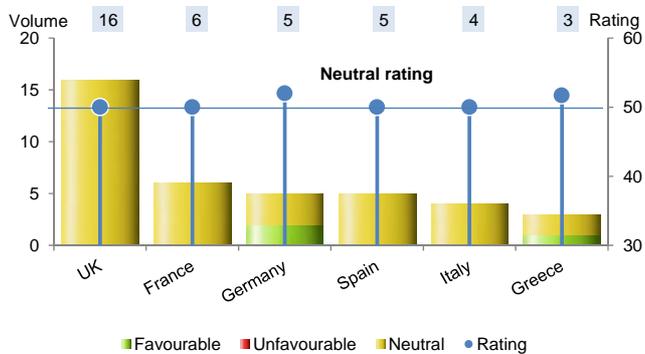
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