



Key Quotes

The ninth Croatia Forum will start today in Dubrovnik. This year, the meeting aims at analyzing the prospects of countries that have remained outside the EU, like Serbia, Albania, Macedonia and Bosnia and Herzegovina. **"For the Balkan regions, integration into NATO and the EU is always synonymous with stability and consolidation of the functioning of the states,"** Croatian Foreign Minister Vesna Pusić said (ansa.it, IT, 9/7).

http://www.ansa.it/ansamed/en/news/sections/politics/2014/07/09/croatian-summit-thursday-on-eu-enlargement-in-the-balkans_105ccc13-d2aa-4c1d-ae56-6e86f9db9c75.html

Summary

Turkey Cyprus tension

The Cyprus government yesterday protested to Brussels against Turkey's unacceptable action in describing the Cyprus Republic as 'defunct' in a text lodged during an EU-Turkey Association Council a week ago. Government spokesman Nicos Christodoulides said in a statement yesterday: *"The unacceptable Turkish positions are indicative of the real intentions of Turkey which chooses to ignore its obligations towards the EU."* Foreign Minister Ioannis Kasoulides has made it clear that Cyprus - in the future - will not give the green light to any convening of a meeting of the Association Council if the content of the Turkish statement is not made known beforehand. And that any meeting will be convened only after the statement's content gets approved by all participants (incyprus.philenews.com, UK, 9/7).

- incyprus.philenews.com, UK, 9/7, <http://incyprus.philenews.com/en-gb/Blogs/4324/42611/alive-and-kicking>

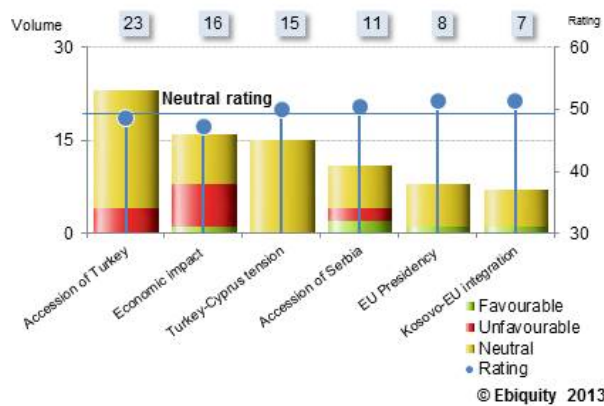
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Croatian MEP Andrej Plenković is reported as saying *"I wish to keep enlargement among EU priorities"* and adding *"as usual, I will advocate for continued enlargement of the EU on the basis of individual achievement and meeting the criteria"*. Regarding Serbia's accession, he stated: *"Like all other countries, Serbia will have to fulfil the criteria for membership in a gradual and demanding negotiation process. It is important that Serbia completes the process of catharsis and faces the truth about the recent past and its role in relation to neighbouring countries"* (Jutarnji-list, HR, 9/7).

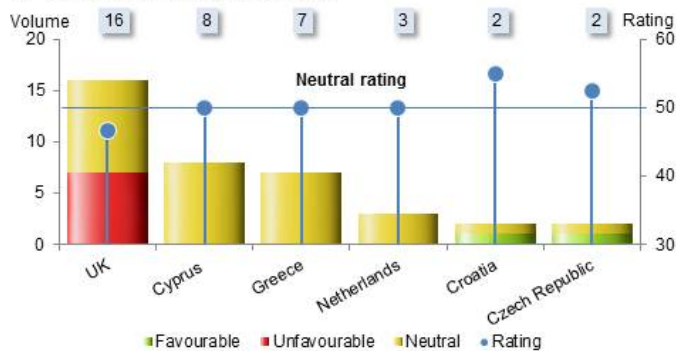
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