



Key Quotes

Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations Johannes Hahn called on Turkey to respect the sovereign rights of the Republic of Cyprus. ***“My main message will be that we expect Turkey to respect Cyprus’ sovereign rights over its Exclusive Economic Zone; to show restraint; and to avoid any more statements or actions that could cause more friction,”*** he underlined (thetoc.gr, GR, 12/11).

<http://www.thetoc.gr/eng/politics/article/turkey-must-respect-the-sovereign-rights-of-cyprus>

Summary

Rama in Serbia - the war of words

Albanian Prime Minister Edi Rama left Belgrade Tuesday for the Albanian-populated southern Presevo Valley, a day after his historic visit to Serbia was marred by a Clash with his hosts over Kosovo. Rama was to meet local leaders in the region bordering Kosovo which is home to 60,000-strong ethnic Albanians. Rama on Monday called for the rights of the ethnic Albanian minority in southern Serbia to be respected. In 2001, the area was the scene of violent clashes between Serb forces and ethnic Albanian guerrillas fighting to unite it with Kosovo. Tensions have remained high ever since with Belgrade suspecting the Albanian minority of seeking secession, while ethnic Albanians complain of a lack of rights (focus-news.net, BG, 11/11). On every corner there are police. In Presevo billboards with the image of Edi Rama can be seen. They read “Welcome Prime Minister” (focus-news.net, BG, 11/11).

- Yahoo! Italia, IT, 11/11, <https://it.notizie.yahoo.com/premier-rama-va-nella-roccaforte-degli-albanesi-serbia-073714974.html>
- focus-news.net, BG, 11/11, <http://www.focus-fen.net/news/2014/11/11/354082/albanian-pm-to-visit-flashpoint-in-fraught-serbia-trip.html>
- focus-news.net, BG, 11/11, <http://www.focus-fen.net/news/2014/11/11/354095/serbia-residents-of-presevo-meet-edi-rama-with-slogans-welcome-prime-minister.html>

Western Balkans should not be discouraged on EU enlargement

The countries of the Western Balkans should not be discouraged and should actively proceed with the reform process in line with European Commission recommendations Bulgarian Foreign Minister Daniel Mitov said, against a background of the new EC’s policy that there will be no EU enlargement during the EC’s five-year term. Mitov was speaking after meeting Aleksander Pejovic, Secretary of State at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration of Montenegro and Chief Negotiator for Montenegro’s Accession to the EU. Bulgaria highly appreciates the efforts of the Montenegrin government and the progress towards EU accession Mitov said at his meeting with Pejovic, a statement by the Foreign Ministry in Sofia said (sofiaglobe.com, BG, 11/11).

- balkaneu.com, GR, 11/11, <http://www.balkaneu.com/bulgarian-foreign-minister-western-balkans-discouraged-eu-enlargement/>
- sofiaglobe.com, BG, 11/11, <http://sofiaglobe.com/2014/11/11/bulgarian-foreign-minister-western-balkans-should-not-be-discouraged-on-eu-enlargement/>

Name dispute

There are no great expectations from the next round of name talks between the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Greece, which will be held in New York, Utrinski vesnik writes. According to the newspaper the negotiator from the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Vasko Naumovski, has had no coordination with state leaders on the position of the country. On the other hand his Greek counterpart Adamandios Vassilakis met with President Karolos Papoulias and has attended a meeting of the National Council on Foreign Relations. However, according to information, if there are to be early elections in Greece serious progress in the name talks are not to be expected (focus-news.net, BG, 11/11).

- focus-news.net, BG, 11/11, <http://www.focus-fen.net/news/2014/11/11/354071/utrinski-vesnik-macedonia-no-great-expectations-from-the-next-round-of-name-talks.html>

Charts

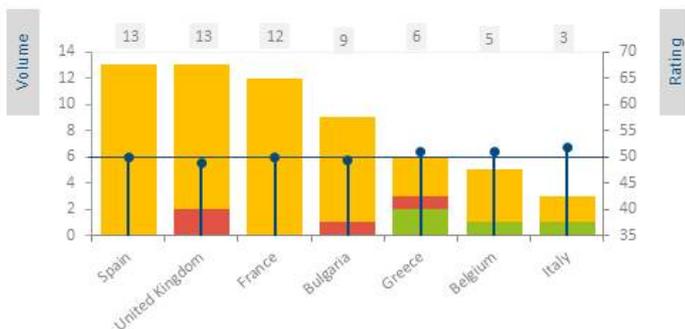
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Edi Rama - Albania PM	50
Aleksandar Vučić - Serbia PM	45
Federica Mogherini - High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy EU	9
Maria Bamieh, EULEX Kosovo	5
Daniel Mitov – Bulgaria FM	4
Gabriele Meucci .- EULEX Kosovo	2

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