



## Key Quotes

Serbian Prime Minister Aleksandar Vučić stated once again on Saturday that his country did not plan to join anti-Russian sanctions. Serbia has its own government which takes decisions independently in interests of the country, he said. **"We are on a path to Europe, but Serbian policy will not change immediately,"** Vučić said in comments on newly appointed EU Commissioner for European Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations Johannes Hahn's statement that urged Serbia Friday to pursue its policy in line with the European one and to join anti-Russian sanctions (focus-fen.net, BG, 15/11).

<http://www.focus-fen.net/news/2014/11/15/354443/serbia-premier-rejects-another-ec-appeal-to-join-anti-russian-sanctions.html>

## Summary

### Commissioner Johannes Hahn calls on Turkey to respect the sovereign rights of Cyprus

The European Parliament condemned yesterday Turkey's provocative actions in the Cypriot Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ). The criticism of Ankara during the plenary discussion was unusually harsh. Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations Johannes Hahn, who was replacing European Commission Vice-President Federica Mogherini, called on Turkey to respect the sovereign rights of Cyprus, to show self-restraint and to avoid statements and actions that could cause new tensions. Mr Hahn noted that there ought to be no threats, tension or provocative actions that could harm good neighbour relations and the peaceful resolution of differences (Naftemporiki, GR, 14/11). However it is reported by ansamed.it (IT, 14/11) that Turkey's EU chief said on Thursday has said the Turkish government will not accept the European Parliament decision on a resolution on a dispute between Turkey and the Republic of Cyprus.

- Naftemporiki, GR, 14/11, [http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20141114/mi/item\\_222414534.pdf](http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20141114/mi/item_222414534.pdf)
- ansamed.it, IT, 14/11, [http://www.ansamed.info/ansamed/en/news/sections/politics/2014/11/14/gas-turkey-denounces-eu-resolution-on-cyprus-eez\\_8e398e69-a738-40ff-beac-ca9b43507185.html](http://www.ansamed.info/ansamed/en/news/sections/politics/2014/11/14/gas-turkey-denounces-eu-resolution-on-cyprus-eez_8e398e69-a738-40ff-beac-ca9b43507185.html)

### Serbia and Russia holding large military exercises

Russia and Serbia are holding their first-ever joint antiterrorist exercises on Serbian territory. The one-day exercises were scheduled to start at noon November 14. The show of Russian military might in a country seeking to join the European Union follows a visit by Russian President Vladimir Putin last month and coincides with a visit by the head of the Russian Orthodox Church, Patriarch Kirill. Serbian military analyst Ljubodrag Stojadinović told RFE/RL last week that joint manoeuvres with Russian troops on this scale have never been held in Serbia. He said that in holding the manoeuvres Moscow is trying to demonstrate that it has allies in Europe (rferl.org, CZ, 14/11). Serbia has not imposed sanctions on Russia for the conflict in Ukraine, as demand by Brussels, although the country has supported Ukraine's territorial integrity (elconfidencial.com, ES, 14/11).

- rferl.org, CZ, 14/11, <http://www.rferl.org/content/serbia-russia-military-drills-belgrade-tula-moscow/26691712.html>
- elconfidencial.com, ES, 14/11, [http://www.elconfidencial.com/ultima-hora-en-vivo/2014-11-14/serbia-y-rusia-realizan-una-de-sus-mayores-maniobras-militares-conjuntas\\_418257/](http://www.elconfidencial.com/ultima-hora-en-vivo/2014-11-14/serbia-y-rusia-realizan-una-de-sus-mayores-maniobras-militares-conjuntas_418257/)

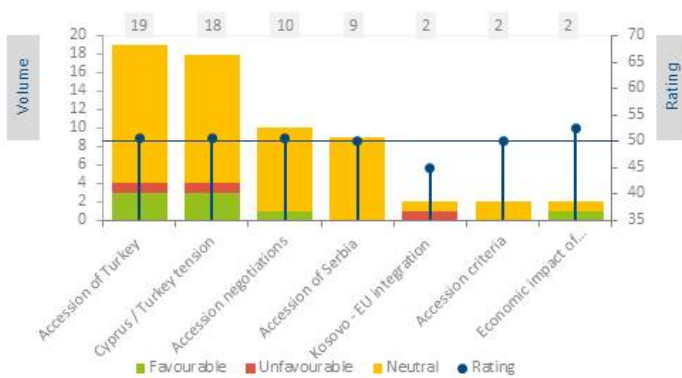
### KOSOVO is agog and Brussels horrified

Allegations have been made that a judge was bribed in a murder case and the European Union's police and justice mission, Eulex, failed to investigate properly. The investigation may result in embarrassment even if it fails to turn up evidence of corruption. When Eulex, now 1600 strong, was deployed in 2008 Kosovars were delighted. Many hoped it would stamp out organised crime and corruption. Local courts are inefficient, corrupt and prone to intimidation. Yet Eulex's reputation has plummeted. People wanted the mission to arrest Kosovo's political class, complains an insider. They never understood that it would need evidence that could stand up in court (economist.com, UK, 14/11).

- economist.com, UK, 14/11, <http://www.economist.com/news/europe/21632598-eus-mission-kosovo-ensnared-corruption-claims-small-balkan-scandal>

# Charts

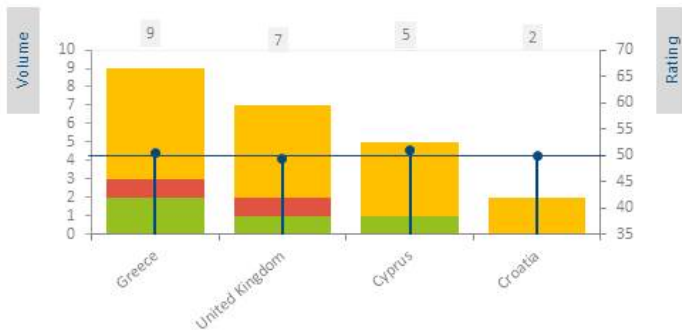
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Volkan Bozkır - Turkey EU Affairs Minister	5
Vojislav Šešelj - Serbian politician	5
Vladimir Putin - Russian President	2
Federica Mogherini - High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy EU	2
Aleksandar Vučić - PM Serbia	2

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