



Key Quotes

Croatia will block Serbia from joining the European Union unless it changes a law that allows Belgrade to prosecute Croatians for war crimes committed against Serbs in Croatia, Prime Minister Zoran Milanovic said on Thursday. **"I think it is a matter of common sense to state right away: Serbia cannot join the EU with such a law, Croatia will not allow it,"** Milanovic, who faces a tough fight for re-election later this year, told a cabinet session. **"It's the principle of 'the same treatment for all'. There can hardly be a compromise here. We only want our neighbours to be the same as everyone else."** (dailymail.co.uk, UK, 5/2) http://www.dailymail.co.uk/wires/reuters/article-2940969/Croatia-warns-EU-hopeful-Serbia-war-crimes-law.html?ITO=1490&ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490

Summary

Green light for Bosnian EU treaty

After German Minister of Foreign Affairs Frank-Walter Steinmeier persuaded Milorad Dodik, chairman of Serbia's biggest party, to commit to reforms EU member states are expected to give the green light so that the stability and association agreement with Bosnia and Herzegovina can finally enter into force, though it still requires a resolution by the Council. Before signing the declaration of intent, Mr Dodik had made further demands. He particularly wanted to make sure that the position of Republika Srpska is protected (Der Standard, AT, 5/2).

- Der Standard, AT, 5/2, http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20150205/mi/item_233884648.pdf

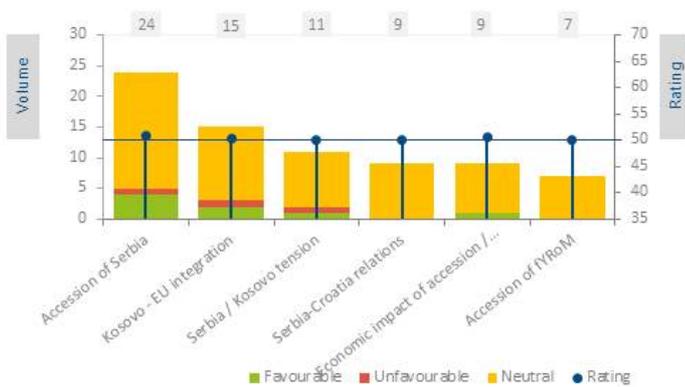
Resignation of Kosovo Minister Aleksandar Jablanović

Kosovo Prime Minister Isa Mustafa announced on Tuesday that the Minister of Communities and Returns, Aleksandar Jablanović, whose resignation was demanded by protesters, has been dismissed. Jablanović, who is a Serb Kosovar infuriated Kosovo's Albanians by calling a group of protesters against Serbian pilgrims on the eve of Orthodox Christmas "savages". The Minister made the comments on January 6, when around 100 protesters had prevented Serbs coming from Belgrade to visit an Orthodox church in Gjakova *Đakovica*. His comments resulted in three protests against him, deemed the largest since Kosovo declared its independence in 2008, which resulted in violent clashes with the police. Protests were first organised in Gjakova and other towns in Kosovo, accusing Jablanović of insulting the mothers of those who had died in the 1998-1999 conflict. Although the Minister apologised publicly, the protests continued. Reports from English-language Kosovo media outlets suggest Jablanović does not accept PM Mustafa's decision (Novinite.com, BG, 4/2).

- Novinite.com, BG, 4/2, <http://www.novinite.com/articles/166338/Kosovo+PM+Dismisses+Controversial+Ethnic+Serb+Minister>

Charts

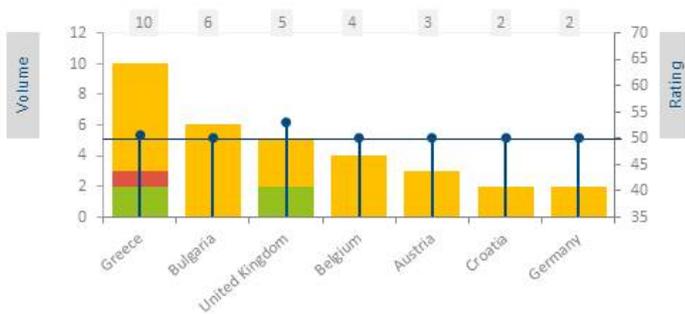
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