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Spain expressed unconditional support for the integration of Turkey into the European Union according to Vanguardia(ES, 28/11), Spain's Prime Minister, Mariano Rajoy, was reported as supporting Turkey's entry saying "*Spain has been and remains one of the main supporters of Turkish accession to the EU*" (diariodeleon.es,ES/28/11). There is also business support in Spain for Turkey's accession with the president of the CEOE, Juan Rosell, saying that Spanish employers view with enormous sympathy the process of Turkey's accession to the European Union (diariosur.es, ES, 27/11). Bulgarian President Rosen Plevneliev said at a joint press conference with Turkish counterpart Abdullah Gül after a private meeting that Bulgaria backs Turkey's European integration and will share its own experience adding "*We want to get down to work and achieve much more together*" (focus-fen.net, BG, 28/11).

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- focus-fen.net, BG, 28/11, <http://www.focus-fen.net/index.php?id=n293497>

Serbian Deputy Prime Minister Aleksandar Vučić predicted that the diplomatic meetings in the next two weeks would be dictating the development of events. According to the media, Vučić will shortly hold meetings with the Serbs from Northern Kosovo and those from the Southern part of the Ibar River, in order to study the feasibility of implementing all requirements undertaken from the previous government, whilst at the same time respecting the national interest (focus-fen.net, BG, 28/11). Italian Defence Minister, Giampaolo di Paola, said that "Serbia must fulfil the obligations agreed so far in the negotiations with Pristina: "*Every effort in Kosovo will be respected*" he assured the President of the Republic of Serbia (notizie.virgilio.it, IT, 27/11). In an interview with the Austrian business daily Wirtschaftsblatt the Serbian Deputy Prime Minister for European Integration, Suzana Grubješić commented that the EU was the "*most successful peace project in the world.*" She believes that the accession of the Western Balkan countries to the EU will bring "*permanent peace to this part of Europe*". However, as Kosovo was not a constituent republic of Yugoslavia, Serbia could not have the same relations with this country as it has with Croatia, Bosnia, Montenegro, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia or Slovenia (Wirtschaftsblatt, AT, 28/11).

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- Wirtschaftsblatt, AT, 28/11, http://194.250.231.110/delivery/20121128/mi/item_141237774.pdf

The consciousness of belonging to a common ethnic group remains, as can be seen from the fact that the anniversary of the foundation of Albania is being celebrated everywhere - not just in Albania itself. "*What is important*", said Veton Latifi, professor of international law in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, "*is that all the most influential Albanian politicians in the region are repeating the line that Albanians will only ever live together within the EU. Any redrawing of borders would bring uncontrollable consequences with it -the powder keg of the Balkans could easily explode once more*" (dw.de, DE, 28/11).

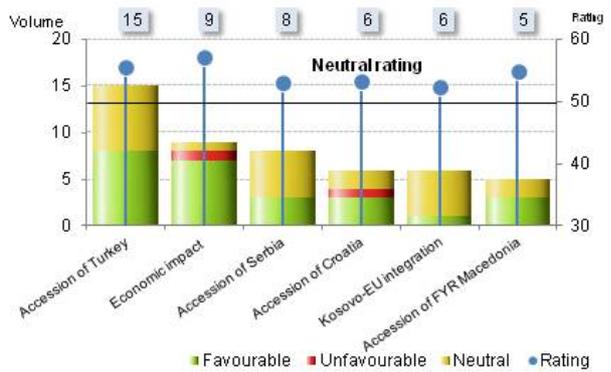
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Key Quotes

Romania will not be an obstacle on Macedonia's way to integration, said Romanian MEP Cristian Dan Preda (Focus News, Bulgaria, 29/11) <http://www.focus-fen.net/index.php?id=n293569>

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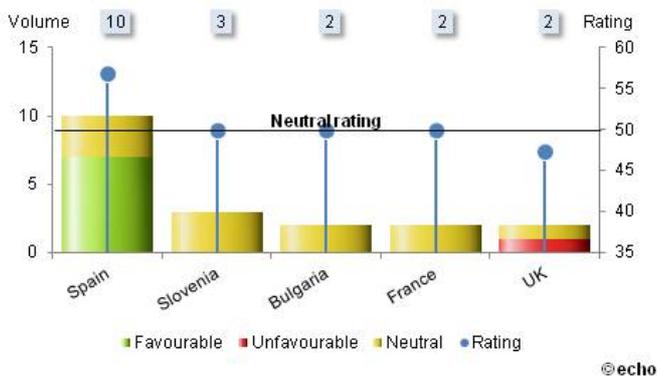


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