



## Key Quotes

Pope Francis urged Bosnians to seek lasting ethnic and religious harmony to heal the deep, lingering wounds of the 1992-1995 war that devastated the former Yugoslav republic. **"The cry of God's people goes up once again from this city... War never again,"** he said. **"It's easy to talk about peace,"** he added. **"Leaders across the world often talk of peace while they sell weapons and spread war. From you, the first generation of children born after war, I expect integrity and harmony between what you think and what you do - anything else is hypocrisy"** (uk.reuters.com, UK, 6/6)

<http://uk.reuters.com/article/2015/06/06/uk-bosnia-pope-idUKKBN00M08X20150606>

## Summary

### Beginning of dialogue on Confidence Building Measures with the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Two days after the achievement of the preliminary agreement between the four biggest parties in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia for early elections and following the intervention of Enlargement Negotiations Commissioner Johannes Hahn, the Deputy PM, Fatmir Besimi, arrived in Athens in order to hold talks with Greek Minister of Foreign Affairs Nikos Kotzias. Efimerida ton Sintakton (GR, 5/6) comments that Athens wishes to contribute to the stability of the area. In the meeting between Mr Besimi and Mr Kotzias the two sides discussed the Confidence Building Measures which are expected to be finalised soon and announced in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia at the end of July. The European Commission will contribute to the financing of certain actions and programmes which will be included in the measures.

- Eleftheros, GR, 5/6, [http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20150605/mi/item\\_251596966.pdf](http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20150605/mi/item_251596966.pdf)
- Efimerida ton Sintakton, GR, 5/6, [http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20150605/mi/item\\_251590416.pdf](http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20150605/mi/item_251590416.pdf)

### Does the opposition in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia want elections?

Does the opposition Social Democratic Union of Macedonia (SDSM) want early parliamentary elections or are they only insisting on an interim government in which it will have influence and several ministers? This question has emerged after it transpired the SDSM more and more says the reached agreement will not be implemented despite the EU's warnings all parties need to show good-will, Dnevnik reports. According to the news outlet, the SDSM confirmed on Friday, after PM Nikola Gruevski said he had made concessions on his stance that there would not be early parliamentary elections. The ruling party had previously made concessions through the resignations of ministers Gordana Jankulovska and Mile Janakieski and the resignation of Saso Mijalkov, Director of the Administration for Security and Counterintelligence in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (focus-news.net, BG, 5/6)

- focus-news.net, BG, 5/6, <http://www.focus-fen.net/news/2015/06/05/374474/dnevnik-macedonia-opposition-doesnt-want-elections.html>

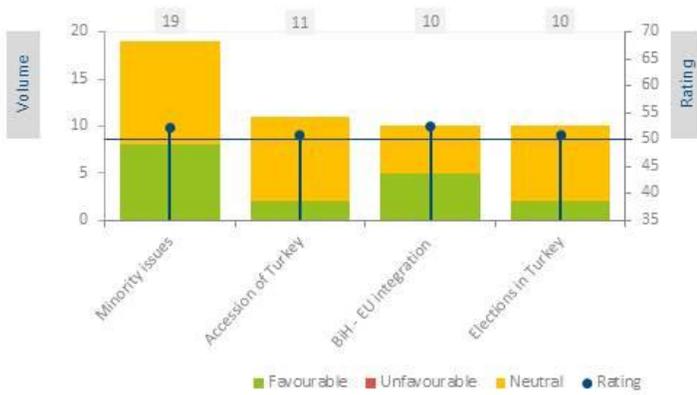
### Could this be Turkey's last democratic election?

At a square in central Istanbul, women are dancing and clapping along to loud music wearing T-shirts bearing the logo of the political party they want to win the general election on 7th June. Standing nearby, another party's supporters wait for their turn. It feels like a street festival of democracy though rather poorly decorated - with different party flags hanging across trees and lamp-posts. But there is an underlying tension. There have been attacks on party buildings, buses and even candidates. The stakes in this election are high. Critics of the current government say this could be the last democratic election before Turkey becomes an autocracy. Supporters say the country's stability is at risk (BBC, UK, 5/6)

- BBC, UK, 5/6, <http://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-32993721>

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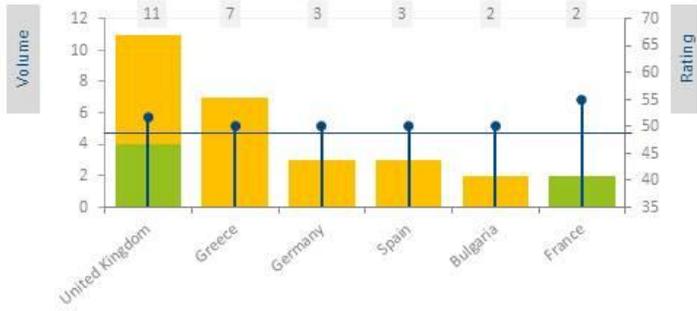
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