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Kosovo - UN resolution

Green MEPs welcome UN breakthrough with EU-Serbia compromise

The EU and Serbia have reached a compromise on a draft UN resolution on Kosovo, which will be voted in the UN General Assembly. Green MEPs welcomed the compromise, which will replace a controversial resolution prepared by Serbia. Commenting on the compromise, Green MEP and EU Parliament draftsperson/rapporteur on Kosovo **Ulrike Lunacek** said:

"The compromise reached by the EU and Serbia at the UN is a crucial breakthrough for Kosovo, Serbia and the wider region. By agreeing to drop its controversial resolution, Serbia has clearly committed itself to the path of compromise and dialogue with regard to resolving Kosovo's status. President Tadic should be congratulated for this. It also represents an important step for Serbia's EU relations and its path towards further EU integration.

"The ruling by the International Court of Justice on Kosovo's independence declaration must play a central role in deliberations on the way forward for Kosovo. It is therefore welcome that Serbia has agreed to drop its draft resolution dubbing the ICJ ruling as 'unacceptable'. It should now engage in constructive dialogue with the authorities in Pristina with a view to defining the relationship between Serbia and Kosovo going forward."

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