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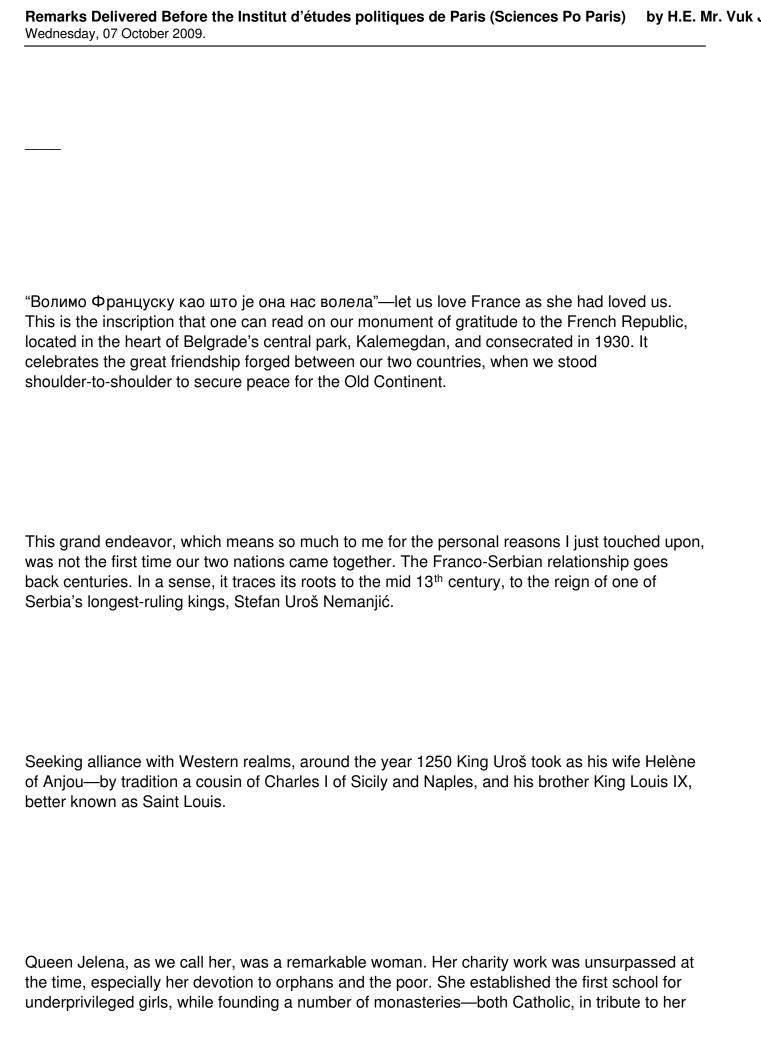
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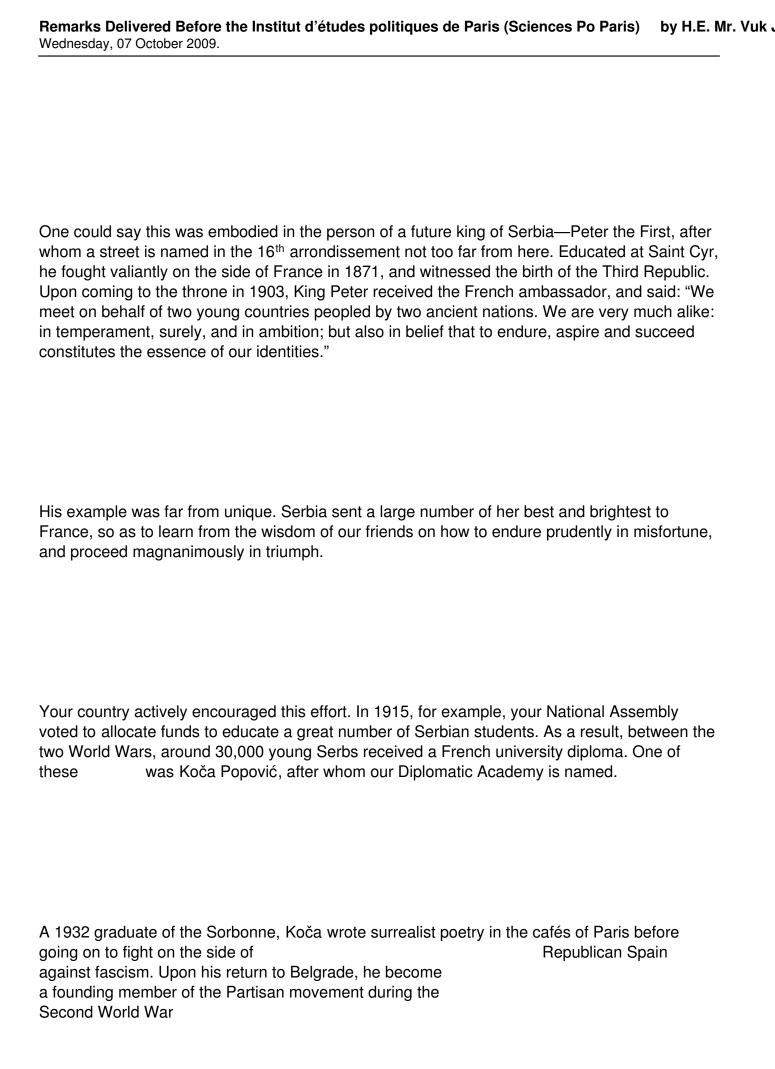
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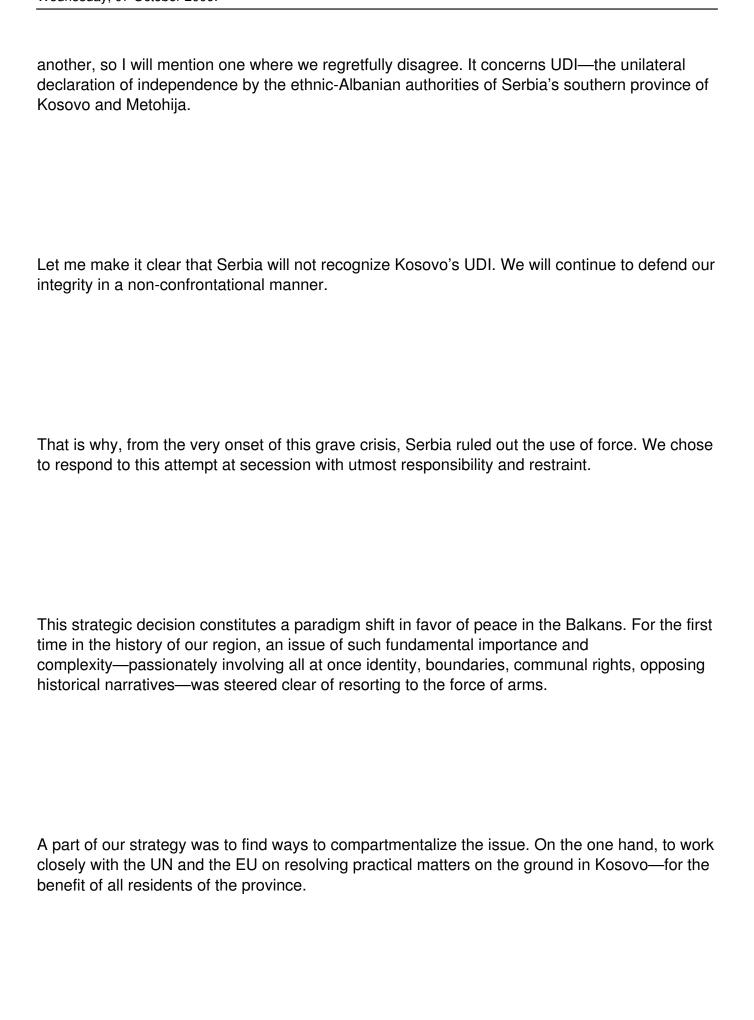


, and later Foreign Minister of Yugoslavia from 1953 to 1965. Together with his friend and successor as minister, Marko Nikezi ć
—born of a French mother—they helped the country carve a singular position for itself during the Cold War, and personify the golden age of our diplomacy.
Ladies and Gentlemen,
As we approach the 20 th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall, we must not forget that the strategic objective of bringing together under one roof all the nations of our continent has not yet been achieved. There is still much work to be done before the dream of a whole and united Europe can be fulfilled. Today, despite its incredible accomplishments, the European Union remains incomplete.
Standing here before you, in the capital of the French Republic—a country that has served as the engine of the new European construction—I want to state clearly that Serbia is fundamentally committed to fulfilling its European destiny.

A vast majority of Serbian citizens have embraced this point of view. Our domestic debate about where we belong is over. Two national elections were held in Serbia last year—one presidential, the other parliamentary. For our country, these were referenda about how to interact with the

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Moments such as this come along rarely in history. They are either seized or lost, and the effects can reach across decades. The opportunity is here. We must grasp them and nurture them, so that they may grow strong and good.
Come what may, Serbia will remain on track. We will continue to be dedicated to fulfilling the goals we have set for ourselves. And we will work hard on achieving membership in the European Union as soon as possible.
With strategic partners such as France by our side, I am confident that we will succeed.
Two days from now will mark the 75 th anniversary of the assassination of our King Alexander and your Foreign Minister Louis Barthou by ultranationalists and fascists.



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