

# Kosovo erupts in violence

Dozens of NATO peacekeeping soldiers and more than 50 local Serbs were injured in clashes in northern Kosovo, while Serbia's president *Aleksandar Vucic* put the army on the highest level of combat alert

**May 29: 19 Hungarian and 11 Italian peacekeepers hurt as they try to deter protesters from invading government building in Zvecan. Security cordons around two other town halls also set up by NATO soldiers**



Majority ethnic-Serb areas of Kosovo

SERBIA

Leposavic

Recent disorder began after Kosovo Serbs boycotted April's local elections in Serb majority area, allowing ethnic Albanians to take control of councils with turnout of less than 4%

Despite support for Kosovo, EU and U.S. have criticised Pristina for destabilising situation

MONTENEGRO

Zvecan

Mitrovica

Zubin Potok

KOSOVO

Pec

Pristina

Gnjilane

Gracanica

Urosevac

Djakovica

Prizren

ALBANIA

NORTH MACEDONIA

20km  
12 miles

KFOR

**Kosovo Force (KFOR):**  
NATO force comprises 3,762 troops from 27 nations, including Italy (715), U.S. (561), and Hungary (469)