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Leaders in Balkans Open 2-Day Meeting

HERAKLION, Crete — A high-level, two-day meeting aimed at settling differences among Balkan nations opened here Monday with attention focused on tense relations between Greece and Turkey.

Prime Minister Mesut Yilmaz's participation in the eight-nation meeting marked the first visit of a Turkish leader to Greece since 1988.

Mr. Yilmaz was scheduled to meet Prime Minister Costas Simitis of Greece on the sidelines of the conference to try to reduce tension heightened by military exercises by both their countries in the Aegean Sea.

Also attending were the presidents of Yugoslavia and Macedonia, the prime ministers of Albania, Bulgaria and Romania and the deputy foreign minister of Bosnia. (AFP)