Montenegro Highway Study Questions:

1. What is the importance of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for Djukanović? What are some of the positive and negative implications of its low commitment level for governments more broadly?

2. What is the model for collaboration proposed in the MoU, and how could this model ameliorate Montenegro’s concerns in signing the MoU? Will the model realistically help the parties achieve their goals?

3. Summarize Djukanović’s main priorities with respect to Chinese investment in the Blue Corridor. What are the most important factors in his decision-making process? Which of these should determine his response, and how should he respond?

4. Consider Europe and China’s roles in this case. How does Europe support or hinder Montenegro’s goals? How does China support or hinder Montenegro’s goals? How should Djukanović and his counterparts in Western Balkan countries balance the two powers?

5. What issues do you anticipate will prevent or spur the construction of the highway, and how should Djukanovic resolve these issues?