

Weekly Newsletter

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF GEORGIA

9 - 15 JULY 2018 NATO Summit 2018

11-12.07.18 BRUSSELS

• Georgian delegation headed by the President Giorgi Margvelashvili participated in the NATO Brussels Summit 2018. • For the first time, high-level meeting on Georgia was held with the participation of Heads of State. Moreover, NATO-Georgia Commission Declaration was adopted at the level of Heads of State for the first time.

• NATO member states reiterated the decision made in 2008 Bucharest Summit and reaffirmed their support for the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Georgia. NATO calls on Russia to reverse its recognition of the Abkhazia and South Ossetia regions of Georgia as independent states.

• Members of the Alliance recognized the significant progress on reforms Georgia has made within the context of NATO open door policy. BRUSSELS

• Allies welcomed the developing cooperation between NATO and Georgia, an enhanced opportunities partner, on Black Sea security.

· Within the frames of the Summit Giorgi Margvelashvili held meetings with Secretary

General of NATO, Jens Stoltenberg and other leaders. The members of the Georgian delegation - Minister of Foreign Affairs David Zalkaliani and Minister of Defence Levan Izoria participated in the various meetings and held bilateral consultations with their colleagues. MORE



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• With 101 votes against 12, new composition of the Government headed by Mamuka Bakhtadze, Prime Minister of Georgia has been endorsed by the Parliament of Georgia. The Government Program for Freedom, Rapid Development and Prosperity has also been approved.

• As a result of the implemented structural adjustments, new cabinet is composed of 10 line ministries and 1 office of the state minister. Three new Ministers have thus been appointed:

Giorgi Kobulia has become Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia,

Ivane Machavariani - Minister of Finance of Georgia and Mikheil Batiashvili - Minister of Education, Culture and Sports of Georgia. MORE

European Commissioner Christos Stylianides paid Official Visit to Georgia

13.07.2018 TBILISI



• Georgian Prime Minister Mamuka Bakhtadze held a meeting with the European Commission's Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Management Christos Stylianides as part of the latter's official visit to the country.

• Discussed: Priorities of Georgia-EU cooperation, Georgia's progress toward European integration.

• According to Christos Stylianides, the Government of Georgia has taken giant steps toward modernization of the Emergency Management Service, also commending future

plans seeking to develop the service, including in terms of institutional advancement, human resources, technologies, infrastructure, and technical equipment. MORE

> The OSCE PA Committee Adopted the Resolution Initiated by Georgia -"10 Years After the August War"

9-11.07.2018 BERLIN

• The Parliamentary Assembly of the Organisation for Co-Operation and Security in Europe (OSCE PA) has passed a resolution titled "10 years after the August War", initiated by Georgian Chairperson of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Parliament of Georgia Sophio Katsarava, with an overwhelming majority.

• The OSCE PA calls on Russian Federation to withdraw the military troops from the Georgian territory and to fully fulfill the cease-fire agreement of August 12, 2008.

• The Assembly hails the new initiative of Georgian Government "Step to a Better Future" aiming at peaceful resolution of the conflict and approximation of the society divided with the occupation line. MORE

British MPs Express Unprecedented Political Support to Georgia

10.07.18 LONDON

The motion adopted by the House of Commons: Congratulates Georgia on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the declaration of independence; Welcomes the growth of political relations and cooperation between the UK and Georgia; Encourages further development of bilateral trade; Reaffirms the UK's unwavering support for Georgia's sovereignty and territorial integrity; *Commends* the people and Government of Georgia for their successful reforms; *Expresses* concern that after 10 years of the Russia-Georgia war and the occupation of Georgian regions of Abkhazia and Tskhinvali region, South Ossetia, by the Russian Federation the security and human rights situation on the ground has been further aggravated; *Recommends* to deepen the Georgian-UK partnership and work together towards an open Europe of unity and

solidarity for global peace and security.

• This is the first political support of the House of Commons to Georgia in hereof form. MORE





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#Georgia's immense contribution to @NATO operations and unique partnership with the Alliance embodies the very essence what #WeAreNATO stands for - a true solidarity. I'm confident that the day of <mark>#Georgia</mark>'s membership will come soon. You have our full support, #Sakartvelo



Great pleasure to meet the Prime Minister of #Georgia @BakhtadzeMamuka With our closer ties in Civil Protection agreed today,



Mamuka Bakhtadzo

Had a very interesting meeting with @StylianidesEU. Discussed #Georgia's #EU integration agenda and the exceptional progress we have achieved. Thank you for your unconditional support.



Side event on the role of Parliaments in scrutiny and oversight in the OSCE regional context organised by #OSCEPA Delegation of Georgia and @osce_odihr took place at #OSCEPABerlin2018

Thank you to the Chair of All Party Parliamentary Group on #Georgia -APPG gly 4initiating very important & timely Motion on"Georgia 100th Anniversary".Your continuous support is highly appreciated. Hope 4strong support of fCommons . full text





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was impressed by the meeting with POTUS . We all agreed that we have to strengthen #NATO with our contributions. Georgia remains burden-sharing Partner for the Alliance. #NATOSummit2018



President Of Georgia

We're impressed by the progress you are making on reforms & encourage you to continue. The Substantial #NATO - #Georgia Package is already bolstering your country's defence reform efforts - SG @jensstoltenberg



For the 1st time in #Georgia-@NATO relations, high-level meeting 2 be held w/ participation of the heads of state 👬 💳 . On the agenda: Security/defense

cooperation, prospects for strengthening NATO-Georgia relations, GEO's role in NATO regional security #NATOSummit

Andreas Peschke

Important meeting of #NATO with #Georgia & #Ukraine. Important partners. #Germany supports continued and intensified security cooperation, #NATOSummit2018 @GermanyNATO @GermanyinUA



