

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF GEORGIA

Minister of International Affairs and Cooperation of Botswana Visited Georgia

3-4.06.2019 TBILISI

• Within the frames of her official visit Minister of International Affairs and Cooperation of Botswana Dr. Unity Dow held meetings with Speaker of the Parliament Irakli Kobakhidze, Minister of Foreign Affairs David Zalkaliani and government officials.



- Discussed: Prospects of deepening cooperation in the fields of economy, trade, tourism, culture and education, the importance enhancing bilateral cooperation within the framework of international organizations and situation in Georgia's occupied regions.
- During the visit the Botswana delegation also visited Tserovani IDP settlement and occupation line near the village of Khurvaleti. MORE

The UN General Assembly Adopted the Resolution on ,Status of Internally Displaced Persons and Refugees from Abkhazia, Georgia and the Tskhinvali Region/South Ossetia, Georgia"

4.06.2019 NEW YORK



- UN General Assembly within its 73rd Session adopted the Resolution on "Status of Internally Displaced Persons and Refugees from Abkhazia, Georgia and the Tskhinvali Region/South Ossetia, Georgia".
- For the first time this year United Nations Member States were given the opportunity to co-sponsor the Resolution and thus participate more actively in a global effort to

resolve this important issue. Resolution was joined by 45 UN Member States from different regions. Therefore, the Resolution represents the initiative of not only Georgia, but of 45 countries.

 The Resolution condemns the forced demographic changes in the occupied regions, emphasizes the right of all internally displaced persons and refugees, regardless of their ethnicity, to a safe and dignified return to their places of origin, and focuses upon the need to fully respect and protect their property rights. MORE

The Grave Human Right Violations in Georgia's Occupied Regions is Reflected in the Human Rights and Democracy Report 2018 of the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office

5.06.2019 LONDON

"2018 marked the tenth anniversary of the Georgia-Russia conflict. Russian influence in Abkhazia and South Ossetia, the breakaway regions of Georgia, continued to contribute to infringements of human rights. This included intimidating members of civil society organisations. With the majority of crossing points closed and increased fencing along the Administrative Boundary Line, restrictions on freedom of movement continued. This affected access to education, healthcare, and property. There were also credible reports of discrimination against ethnic Georgians' ability to access identity documents. The UK supported Georgian resolutions at UNGA (on internally displaced persons) and the UN Human Rights Council (requesting access for the OHCHR)" reads the report. **MORE**

The Statement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia on the so-called Parliamentary Elections in Occupied Tskhinvali Region/South Ossetia

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- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia refers to the so-called parliamentary elections in occupied Tskhinvali region/South Ossetia, which blatantly violates the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Georgia within its internationally recognized borders. Any so-called elections held in the occupied territories are illegal and cannot have any legal effect, as they are in contradiction with the fundamental norms and principles of international law.
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia appeals to the international community to give a due assessment to the so-called parliamentary elections in the Tskhinvali region/South Ossetia, and calls upon the Russian Federation to fulfill undertaken international obligations and withdraw its military forces from Georgia's territory. MORE

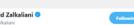
Cyprus Granted "Safe Country" Status to Georgia

8.06.2019 NICOSIA

Cyprus is the 13th country in the EU/Schengen zone to put Georgia on the safe country list. Adding Georgia on the safe country list is a demonstration of the country's political stability, economic development and positive environment for human rights protection and safety. MORE



SOCIAL MEDIA





Had the great pleasure to host Dr. #UnityDow, Minister of International Affairs and Cooperation of #Botswana, Discussed enhancement of bilateral relations and sharing experience on reforms ***





Dr. Unity Dow, Minister of International Affairs & Cooperation of #Botsw first official visit to Georgia, held meetings with #Georgia Foreign Minister, Chairman of Georgian #Parliament & other officials, visited occupation line & IDP settlement.





#UNGA just adopted Resolution on "Status of Internally Displaced Persons and Refugees from Abkhazia, #Georgia and the Tskhinvali Region/South Ossetia, Georgia" initiated by Georgia & 44 sponsoring states

Thank you to all our supporters & cosponsers!





Sweden co-sponsored and voted for #UNGA resolution on status of IDPs and refugees from Abkhazia and Tskhinvali region/South Ossetia in #Georgia, reaffirming our strong support of Georgian sovereignty and territorial integrity

NB8 statement un.mfa.lt/missionny/en/n







#Ukraine congratulates #Georgia with the adoption of #UNGA res "Status of internally displaced persons and refugees from Abkhazia, Georgia, and the Tskhinvali region/South Ossetia, Georgia". We reiterate our strong support to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Georgia 👭





Attended formal launch of 2018 @foreignoffice HR & Democracy report. Since 2016 it features worsening human rights situation in #Georgia 's #RussianOccupied Abkhazia & #Tskhinvali regions. 👭 gov. highly values #UK## support in bilateral & multilateral formats. @tariqahmadbt





.@StateDeptSpox: The U.S. does not recognize the legitimacy of the so called parliamentary elections in #Georgia's South Ossetia region on June 9 and we will not acknowledge their outcome.





Cyprus has added Georgia to the list of safecountries that demonstrates the recognition of the democratic reforms and the protection of fundamental human rights





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