

First Deputy Prime Minister of Serbia and Minister of Foreign Affairs Ivica Dacic received today a courtesy call from Ambassador of the Democratic People's Republic of Algeria to the Republic of Serbia Abdelhamid Chebchoub.

Minister Dacic welcomed Ambassador Chebchoub and, referring to the traditionally good relations between the two countries, noted that there existed possibilities to further promote and intensify the political, economic and other forms of bilateral cooperation.

Underlining Serbia's interest to develop cooperation in all areas where possible, the Serbian Foreign Minister stressed the need for making additional joint efforts related to specific projects, including convening of Joint Committee meetings, continued cooperation on water management projects, as well as in the defence area.

Ambassador Chebchoub thanked the Minister for receiving him, noting that the relations between Serbia and Algeria were at a high level, underlining the importance of further strengthening bilateral cooperation at the political and economic levels. He expressed satisfaction at the engagement of Serbian companies in infrastructure projects in Algiers, highlighting good cooperation in the defence area.

On the international level, the two countries share identical or similar positions, and Algeria continues to adhere to the principled policy regarding non-recognition of the unilateral declaration of independence of Kosovo and Metohija.

In conclusion, Minister Dacic wished Ambassador Chebchoub success in pursuing his term of office, confident that good cooperation between the two countries would be continued.