



First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia Ivica Dacic is on a visit to Armenia, in the capacity as OSCE Chairperson-in-Office. His visit to Yerevan ends the series of his visits to OSCE missions in the South Caucasus, during which the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office met with the highest officials of Georgia and Azerbaijan.

“Serbia is chairing the OSCE and I wish to recall that the Organization is bringing together 57 countries where decisions are reached by consensus.

It takes a lot of patience and skills on the part of the OSCE to successfully pursue the policy and implement its decisions concerning issues on which there are diverging opinions and positions. The OSCE has a great interest to preserve the stability and focus great efforts on building confidence between the countries in the region. Therefore, in my capacity as OSCE Chair, I fully support the work of the Minsk Group which is facilitating the resolution of issues concerning Nagorno Karabakh.

I also support the work of my Special Representative for the South Caucasus, Ambassador Gnaedinger. The OSCE, as an organization, and Serbia, as its Chair, will offer our contribution and assistance to deliver successful results of these efforts.

I would like to commend the cooperation between the Armenian authorities and the OSCE Mission in Armenia. I consider it very important for the development of the country and its reforms, and that they should consider the OSCE as a partner.

I hope that, in the coming period, the visits will be more frequent both multilaterally and bilaterally. I wish to reiterate my great satisfaction with the visit to Yerevan, hoping that the OSCE will be able to achieve best possible results in its efforts in the interest of peace, security, as well as all citizens and all peoples”, said OSCE Chairperson-in-Office Ivica Dacic.

The Serbian Foreign Minister recalled that Armenia was a friendly country with which Serbia had traditional ties and that it was necessary to develop bilateral relations in the political, economic and other areas.