

First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia Ivica Dacic received today Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Serbia Hendrik G.C. van den Dool.

Ambassador Hendrik G.C. van den Dool congratulated Minister Dacic on his re-appointment as FDPM and MFA, expressing his hope that the excellent mutual cooperation will be maintained in the coming period. The Ambassador expressed his satisfaction with the fact that Serbia's commitment to membership of the European Union remained the new Government's priority.

The interlocutors assessed the bilateral relations as very good, and it was pointed out that there was additional room for the advancement of cooperation, especially in areas of economy and energy.

Minister Dacic expressed his hope that the coming period will see the visits of the two countries' high officials, and thanked for the Netherlands' support on the opening of Chapters 23 and 24, in the accession negotiations with the European Union.