

First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia Ivica Dacic had a meeting today in Nicosia with Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cyprus Nikos Christodoulides.

Today's meeting came as a follow-up to the agreements reached in the two Ministers' last sit-down in Belgrade, held on 10 May, when President of Cyprus Nicos Anastasiades made an official visit to Serbia, and when it was agreed that the two Ministers would meet for regular consultations.

In the meeting, the collocutors examined the Serbia-Cyprus bilateral relations, further cooperation in international organizations and forums, cooperation between the two Foreign Ministries and the European integration process of the Republic of Serbia.

Minister Dacic informed his Cypriot counterpart about the Belgrade-Pristina dialogue, while Minister Christodoulides briefed Minister Dacic about the current situation regarding the Cypriot issue. The two Ministers also looked into the need to organize cooperation between the two countries' diaspora, and touched on the preparations for the next intergovernmental session.

Minister Christodoulides reiterated that the Republic of Cyprus would never recognize the unilaterally declared independence of Kosovo, while First Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Dacic reiterated Serbia's unconditional support to the territorial integrity and sovereignty of the Republic of Cyprus.