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In order to continue our cooperation and proceed along the aforementioned lines, I suggest that, as soon as your schedule so permits, we organize our meeting and exchange information on what has been done so far and agree on further continuation of cooperation.

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First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia Ivica Dacic sent a message of congratulation this evening to Greek Foreign Minister Nikos Dendias on the occasion of his appointment to the post.

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