



First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia Ivica Dacic handed today to Defence Minister Zoran Djordjevic two Russian machine-guns, as gifts to the Military Museum.

Today, this military institution has become richer for a PD-28 machinegun of 7.62x54R calibre and a RPD-44 of 7.62x39 calibre.

According to Minister Dacic, the two machineguns are personal gifts from the Deputy Prime Minister of the Russian Federation, Dmitry Rogozin, to the Serbian Foreign Minister that he received after the session of the Joint Committee for Cooperation between the Russian Federation and Serbia, held in the Russian town of Suzdal.

"Deputy Prime Minister Rogozin asked me to give these exhibits to the Military Museum in Belgrade. The model according to which one of these machineguns was developed was used in World War II and during the liberation of Belgrade and is therefore a significant gift. I suppose that all visitors of the Military Museum will be pleased to see these exhibits", Dacic said emphasizing that he "wishes these weapons are never used again."

Dacic pointed out that today's event exemplified the good cooperation existing between the two Ministries and an indication that Serbia had good cooperation with other countries.

Minister Djordjevic thanked both Dacic and Rogozin for the gifts.

"These gifts will surely enrich the collection and the present exhibition in the Military Museum. Both machineguns were repaired and adapted to be museum exhibits," emphasized the Defence Minister.

Djordjevic presented a model sabre to the Foreign Minister who, according to tradition, gave a coin for it.