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## Farewell cocktail in honor of the Ambassador of the European Union in the Republic of Macedonia, Mr. Aivo Orav



A farewell cocktail in honour of the Ambassador of the European Union in the Republic of Macedonia, Mr. Aivo Orav, was held in the Parliamentary Club, and the ambassadors of the Member States of the European Union, the ambassadors of the region, as well as the Ambassador of the USA, Mr. Jess L. Baily were invited.

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**Deputy Prime Minister Ademi attended the meeting of the Prime Minister Dimitriev with the Hellenic Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr.Nikos Kotzias at the Government of the Republic of Macedonia**

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### **Coordination donor meeting related to the damages of the floods in Skopje and Tetovo**

Coordination donor meeting related to the devastating floods that occurred this weekend was held at the premises of the Secretariat for European Affairs. Deputy Prime Minister of the Government of the Republic of Macedonia in charge of European Affairs, Arbër Ademi PhD, chaired the meeting, and Mr. Nikola Todorov, Deputy Prime Minister of the Government and Minister of Health, Mr. Ilija Isajlovski, Deputy Minister of foreign Affairs (to be confirmed), and Mrs Louisa Vinton, UN Resident coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative and Mr. Martin Klaucke, Head of cooperation at the EU Delegation in Skopje had their address at the meeting. It was emphasised that at this stage estimates of the damages are very indicative, but we are working on their further clarification. Ademi informed that the Civil Protection Mechanism of the EU has been activated, through which they made satellite footage of the terrain and their experts for assessment are already on spot for estimation of the initial needs of the population.

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### **Second donor coordination meeting related to the damages of the floods in Skopje and Tetovo**

The second coordination donor meeting related to the devastating floods that occurred on 06.08.2016 was held at the premises of the Secretariat for European Affairs Deputy Prime Minister of the Government of the Republic of Macedonia in charge of European Affairs, Arbër Ademi PhD, chaired the meeting, and Peter Glerum, team leader of the experts who arrived in the Republic Macedonia from the European Civil Protection Mechanism, Ms. Louisa Vinton, UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative also had their address at the meeting. Deputy Prime Minister Ademi stressed that the aim of this meeting is to have more precise



overview of the overall donor support which has been provided so far by the bilateral partners, which was initially discussed on last week's meeting.

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## Working meetings



**Meeting of the Deputy Prime Minister Ademi with the ambassador of the Kingdom of Spain Carranza**

Deputy Prime Minister of the Government of the Republic of Macedonia for European Affairs, Arbër Ademi PhD, had a meeting with H.E. Mr Ramon Abaroa Carranza, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Spain in the Republic of Macedonia.

At the meeting they discussed the current situation in the EU integration process in the country, the development of political situation in that context, the outlook to the end of the year. Deputy Prime Minister Ademi stressed that despite the current situation, the focus remains on the complete and consistent implementation of the Przhino Agreement and the final Agreement between the four political parties, the implementation of the Ohrid Framework Agreement and further implementation of the Urgent Reform Priorities.

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**Meeting between the Deputy Prime Minister Ademi and the French ambassador HE Ms. Lawrence Auer**

Deputy Prime Minister of the Government of the Republic of Macedonia in charge of European Affairs, Arbër Ademi PhD had a farewell meeting with the Ambassador of France in the Republic of Macedonia, HE Ms. Lawrence Auer.

At the beginning of the meeting, the Deputy Prime Minister Ademi and thanked Mrs. Auer for her personal support and for the support and assistance of the Republic of France to our country and in our European integration efforts, especially for the support of the Secretariat for European Affairs and other state bodies.

The Ambassador Auer stressed that France will continue to support Macedonia's EU integration process and said it was necessary to further deepen the bilateral relations between both countries. In this context, they expressed readiness to provide expert support to deal with the consequences of the floods that hit the capital Skopje and the North-western part of Macedonia.

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## International days

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***Thank you!***