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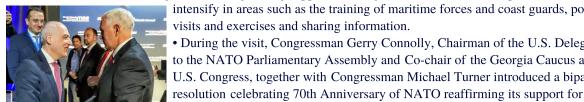
## Minister of Foreign Affairs David Zalkaliani Paid a Visit to USA

#### 3-4.04.2019 WASHINGTON D.C.

• On the sidelines of the NATO Foreign Ministerial held in Washington D.C. Georgia's Foreign Minister Zalkaliani participated in the discussion "NATO Engages: The Alliance at 70 Years" organized by Atlantic Council, German Marshal Fund of the United States and Munich Security Conference. The event was dedicated to the seventieth anniversary of NATO, where Minister spoke about Georgia's membership to NATO and progress achieved on the integration path.



- In parallel with the Ministerial, Minister Zalkaliani held bilateral meetings with his counterparts from the NATO member states as well as with representatives of the US Administration and Congress.
- At the NATO ministerial, allies agreed on a package of measures aimed at improving NATO's situational awareness in the Black Sea region and strengthening support to Georgia and Ukraine. The cooperation will intensify in areas such as the training of maritime forces and coast guards, port



visits and exercises and sharing information. • During the visit, Congressman Gerry Connolly, Chairman of the U.S. Delegation to the NATO Parliamentary Assembly and Co-chair of the Georgia Caucus at the U.S. Congress, together with Congressman Michael Turner introduced a bipartisan

Georgia and Open Door Policy. MORE

## 47th Round of the Geneva International Discussions was Held

#### 2-3.04.2019 GENEVA

• The 47th round of the Geneva International Discussions was held. The illegal detention and death of another Georgian citizen Irakli Kvaratskhelia in unclear circumstances at Russian military base in occupied Abkhazia region was raised with particular emphasis.



- Georgian delegation emphasized on the grave impact of illegal occupation and factual annexation process of two Georgian regions by the Russian Federation.
- The Co-Chairs, and participants from the US and Georgia extensively talked about the grave humanitarian consequences of the closure of occupation line in both Abkhazia and Tskhinvali regions in the period of January-February.
- Significant part of the negotiations was devoted to the necessity of implementation of the 12 August 2008 Ceasefire Agreement by Russia. MORE

## **Czech Republic Listed Georgia as Save Country**

#### 1.04.2019 TBILISI



The Czech Republic listed Georgia on the list of safe countries. This is the 12th country in the EU / Schengen Area which made a relevant decision referring to Georgia. Putting Georgia on the safe country list is a demonstration of the country's political stability, economic development and positive environment for human rights protection and safety. MORE

## Georgia Ranks 9th in Europe for Cyber Security

## 2.04.2019 TBILISI

Georgia has been ranked ninth in Europe in the Global Cybersecurity Index 2018, which is a composite index produced, analyzed and published by the International Telecommunication Union to measure a commitment of its 194 member states to cybersecurity in order to raise cybersecurity awareness. The 2018 survey included 178 member states, with Georgia ranked 18th in the world for cyber security. MORE

Europe		
Member State	Score	Regional Rank
United Kingdom	0.931	1
France	0.918	2
Lithuania	0.908	3
Estonia	0.905	4
Spain	0.896	5
Norway	0.892	6
Luxembourg	0.886	7
Netherlands	0.885	8
Georgia	0.857	9
Finland	0.856	10

## **SOCIAL MEDIA**





Taking part in panel - Enlarging Security in the Neighborhood: The Legacy and Future of #NATO Partnerships with @Links viciusL and @IKlympush @NATOForeignMinisterial Side Event - NATO Engaged: The Alliance at 70 AtlanticCouncil #GMF #MS0





On eve of @NATO Foreign Ministers meeting in #Washington, Jean #Asselborn met with his colleague from #Georgia @DZalkaliani to discuss ##= bilateral relations, EU-Georgia relations, common international security challenges and close NATO-Georgia partnership





Grateful to Congressman @GerryConnolly who introduced a bipartisan resolution that reaffirms U.S. commitment to NATO and marks NATO's work to deter

RussianAggression including responding to the illegal invasion and #occupati #Georgia's regions. #NATOat70





Discussed with @Dzalkaliani bilateral cooper., strategic partnership between #UA&#Georgia&common actions 4 the future of EU-Eastern Neighbourhood relations.Looking forward to upcoming bilateral events&multilateral activities in the framework of 10 yrs of #EasternPartnership





Deputy Foreign Minister Lasha Darsalia # "Russia-#Georgia conflict is not a matter of particular country but part of general #European security issues". @TheGCSP #Geneva @MFAgovge





The Czech Republic includes Georgia on its list of safe countries!





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