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News

Malta recognizes Kosovo as an independent State

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Today, the Government of Malta recognized Kosovo as an independent State, thus bringing the total to 21 European Union Member States that have acknowledged Kosovo as an independent country, a country which used to form part of Serbia.

The Maltese Government sent a letter to the President and Prim Minister of Kosovo Fatmir Sejdiu and Hashim Thaci respectively informing them of the decision taken by Malta.

The Deputy Prim Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Dr Tonio Borg, declared that the recognition by Malta of Kosovo's independence adds to the various European countries and the Western world which, due to events that took place in Kosovo in the last 10 years, had no other alternative but to recognize Kosovo.

The question of Kosovo was discussed during the Parliamentary Committee for Foreign & European Affairs on Monday 7th July 2008. During the session, the Deputy Prim Minister voiced his opinion that Malta should join other countries in recognizing Kosovo as an independent State.

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