



Interagency Coordination Council Meeting

03.11.2020, Tbilisi

Due to epidemiological situation in the country:

- ➔ Wearing face masks will become mandatory outdoors as well;
- ➔ Restaurants throughout Georgia will close at 22:00 o'clock;
- ➔ Education process in the schools in 10 cities will continue remotely until 25 November. [More](#)



Foreign Minister Participated in the 130th Session of the Committee of Ministers



04.11.2020

Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia, David Zalkaliani took part in the 130th Session of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe in the framework of the Greek Chairmanship. In his speech, Minister focused on the provocative actions from Russian Federation in the occupied territories to further aggravate the situation, despite the spread of the COVID-19. [More](#)



01.11.2020

Batumi wins title of Europe's Leading Emerging Tourism Destination 2020 in the 27th competition by the World Travel Awards. [More](#)



2020 Parliamentary Elections

President of Georgia: Georgia held Peaceful, Just, Safe and Democratic Elections

01.11.2020, Tbilisi



"Georgia has managed to hold peaceful, just, safe and democratic elections. It can be said - European elections. Despite the severe and unprecedented challenges, yesterday's parliamentary elections have once again showcased to the world that the country continues its uninterrupted advancement on the path of democracy and development," - stated the President of Georgia, Salome Zourabichvili. [More](#)

OSCE/ODIHR on Georgia's Parliamentary Elections

01.11.2020

Georgia's parliamentary elections were competitive and, overall, fundamental freedoms were respected. Nevertheless, pervasive allegations of pressure on voters and blurring of the line between the ruling party and the state reduced public confidence in some aspects of the process, international observers said in a statement. [More](#)



Statement of the U.S. Embassy Tbilisi

01.11.2020, Tbilisi



The U.S. Embassy welcomes the high voter turnout during parliamentary elections and applauds the people of Georgia for their dedication to democracy even amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. [More](#)

Statement by the Spokesperson of the EEAS

01.11.2020, Brussels

According to the joint statement of preliminary findings and conclusions of the international observers from the OSCE/ODHIT and the PAs of the OSCE, Council of Europe and NATO, the elections were competitive and, overall, fundamental freedoms were respected. The European Union stands by a democratic, stable, prosperous and inclusive Georgia and continues to support Georgia's process of political association and economic integration with the EU as per its Association Agreement. [More](#)



OSCE/ODIHR @osce_odihr

Fundamental freedoms respected in #Georgia parliamentary elections, but confidence reduced by allegations of pressure and blurring of line between party & state, international observers say. Read our press release [bit.ly/322SdbB](#).

Urmaz Paet @Urmazpaet

Congratulations to #Georgia for organising the 1st round of parliamentary elections successfully despite the #COVID-19 situation. However, some deficiencies must still be addressed.

Marina Kaljurand MEP @MarinaKaljurand

We would like to congratulate Georgia, a key ally of the EU, on successfully organising the first round of the parliamentary elections despite a difficult epidemiological context. @davidmcallister

EU Delegation Georgia @EUinGeorgia

Yesterday 70 European Diplomatic Watch teams covered the opening, voting & counting procedures at polling stations all around 🇬🇪 Georgia. #EuroDiploWatchGE2020

Michael Siebert @GERonOstpolitik

#Georgia: New electoral system applied during parliamentary elections paved way to more pluralistic parliament. Important to use this chance. Expect int'l standards to be upheld in run-offs. Flaws of electoral process should be rectified through cooperation of all pol. actors.

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Linus Linkevicius @LinkeviciusL

🇩🇪 congratulates #Georgia on conducting the parliamentary elections under the new electoral system and reminds that further efforts to address shortcomings are needed. We hope for continuation of important reforms & ready to continue supporting 🇬🇪 Euro-Atlantic path. @DZalkaliani

MFA Romania @MFARomania

Congratulations to #Georgia for organizing competitive parliamentary elections under the new electoral system. Measures should be taken to ensure a free and fair second round, in accordance with the democratic standards. RO firmly supports Georgia's Euro-Atlantic path.

davidmcallister @davidmcallister

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Ann Linde @AnnLinde

As friends of Georgia, 🇩🇪 stands by the statements by 🇪🇺 & OSCE/ODIHR on the elections in Georgia. The statements note that the elections were competitive and that, overall, fundamental freedoms were respected. We expect a fair, transparent and rigorous handling of all complaints

GEN (R) Phil Breedlove @PMBreedlove

This weekend marks an important democratic milestone for the people of Georgia - congratulations! The government has been given a mandate to strengthen ties with the US, NATO & Western allies. Looking forward to continued cooperation between our nations in the years to come 🇬🇪 🇺🇸

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