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KARABAKH CONFLICT SETTLEMENT SHOULD BE ON INT'L AGENDA - LATVIAN PRESIDENT

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Stability and security of Europe's eastern neighbors remain the strategic priorities for Latvia, Latvian President Raimonds Vējonis said on Sept.21

He made this statement during the 71st session of the UN General Assembly.

Settlement of conflicts in Transnistria, Abkhazia, South Ossetia and Nagorno-Karabakh should take an important place on the international agenda, Raimonds Vējonis added.

He stressed that all countries must fulfill their obligations within the international law and respect the borders of sovereign states.

The conflict between the two South Caucasus countries began in 1988 when Armenia made territorial claims against Azerbaijan. As a result of the ensuing war, in 1992 Armenian armed forces occupied 20 percent of Azerbaijan, including the Nagorno-Karabakh region and seven surrounding districts.

The 1994 ceasefire agreement was followed by peace negotiations. Armenia has not yet implemented four UN Security Council resolutions on withdrawal of its armed forces from the Nagorno-Karabakh and the surrounding districts.

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