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SERBIA GRATEFUL TO N. KOREA FOR STANCE ON KOSOVO

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Serbian First Deputy PM and Foreign Minister Ivica Dacic on Tuesday received the new ambassador of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea, Ri Pyong Du.

The diplomat delivered his accreditation letters to President Tomislav Nikolic, the Serbian government said.

Ri Pyong Du thus officially assumed the office of ambassador on non-residential basis accredited from Bucharest, a statement said.

During the meeting, Dacic "expressed his gratitude for the principled position of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea regarding the issue of Kosovo and Metohija."

"Commenting the situation on the Korean Peninsula, he underlined that Serbia advocates the easing of tensions and finding a diplomatic solution through negotiations of the parties in dialogue," the government said, quoting a statement issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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