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## **KOSOVO'S MEMBERSHIP IN WCO SUSPENDED AT SERBIA' REQUEST**

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In a statement issued on Sunday, and carried by the Serbian government's website, the MFA said that this happened during a session held the previous day "regarding the accession of the so-called 'Kosovo' to this organization."

The statement added that "'Kosovo' was also deprived of the right to vote."

"An extraordinary session of the SCO Council has been scheduled for the end of this year, and a working group will be formed in the meantime to consider the case of 'Kosovo' and propose a solution for the future status in the SCO Council, and until then the 2012 decision will apply under which the reception of 'Kosovo' in the SCO is premature," the MFA said.

"The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Office for Kosovo and Metohija and the Customs Administration jointly worked to challenge the illegitimate attempt to receive the so-called 'Kosovo' into the WCO after Belgium, as the depositary of the convention, and the SCO Secretariat, contrary to the 2012 SCO's decision that 'the receipt of Kosovo is premature', attempted to allow 'Kosovo' to join this institution, despite the protest of the Republic of Serbia and another twenty countries," the MFA said.

"The membership of the so-called 'Kosovo' was suspended at the request of Serbia until the next session," the statement said.

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