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**BELÇİKA BAŞBAKANI CHARLES MİCHEL: 'GÜCÜMÜZ BİRLİK VE BERABERLİKTEN GELİYOR'**

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Belçika Başbakanı Charles Michel Brükselde bulunan Avrupa Parlamentosunda birliğin geleceğine yönelik bir konuşma yaptı. Charles Michel birlik ve beraberlik içinde Avrupa Birliği değerlerine sahip çıkılması gerektiğini söyledi. Avrupa Komisyonu başkanı Jean-Claude Juncker Belçikalı yetkililerin İngiliz memurlara Belçika oturumu verirken aynı derecede çömert olmalarını bekliyoruz. şeklinde konuştu.

Avrupa Birliği karşıtı görüşleri ile bilinen İngiliz Avrupa milletvekili Nigel Farage Belçikayı sert bir dille eleştirdi:

Belçika bir devlet değil ve belki de bu yüzden Avrupa Birliği düzeyine ulaşmaktan mutlusunuz. Belçika bunu istiyorsa, kabul. Seçim sonuçlarına bakmanız yeterli. Halkı kaybediyorsunuz, insanlar sizden uzaklaşıyor.

Konuşma Brükselin Brexit sonrası uzun vadeli bütçe önerisini açıklamasının hemen ardından yapıldı.

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Belgiums Prime Minister Charles Michel debated the future of Europe with MEPs and and EU Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker on Thursday.

I want a strong Europe that acts where it can add real value, he said, calling on the EU to persuade with an ideal and concrete results.

To this end, European, national, regional and local democracies must complement and reinforce each other.

Mr Michel listed three imperatives: fostering prosperity, delivering security and protecting fundamental values. Putting our public finances in order, delivering economic and social reforms, taking security measures and promoting peace are an endless battle to serve the European ideal and European citizens, he stressed, calling for a culture of results and efforts to release the

exceptional potential of our continent.

The EU can be the motor of a reinvigorated multilateralism that takes the great challenges facing humanity: peace and security, development and global warming, he added.

Welcoming the Prime Minister, Parliaments President Antonio Tajani stressed the importance of these debates with European leaders, which enable us to look ahead at what we can do together: member states, Commission and European Parliament.

Some of Parliaments group leaders praised Mr Michels commitment to a strong Europe that delivers added value to citizens, referring to the city of Brussels not only as the capital of Belgium, but also as the heart of the Europe.

Others used the countrys war-torn past to explain why the Belgian people have developed a passion for the European project, and cited Belgiums federal structure as evidence that a strong Europe not only needs strong nations, but also prosperous regions.

Finally, MEPs stressed the need for more European solutions to combat tax evasion, strengthen EUs external borders and boost European defence.

The next European head of government to discuss the future of Europe with MEPs will be Xavier Bettel, Prime minister of Luxembourg, on 30 May in Strasbourg.

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