
EU FOREIGN POLICY CHIEF URGES SERBIA, KOSOVO RESOLVE TIES

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The European Union expects Serbia and Kosovo to swiftly deliver on their commitment to talks on normalizing relations, which is the key for the two nations to advance toward membership in the bloc, the EU's foreign policy chief said Thursday.

Federica Mogherini met with the presidents of Serbia and Kosovo as part of an EU-mediated dialogue that is designed to solve their decades-long dispute, which has threatened the stability of the Balkans.

Kosovo declared independence from Serbia in 2008, but Belgrade does not recognize the move. Tensions recently have increased, with the two sides accusing each other of undermining efforts at reconciliation following a 1998-99 war.

Mogherini urged Serbia and Kosovo at the meeting to refrain from words, actions and measures that are contrary to the spirit of normalization, a statement issued after the meeting said, adding they discussed the necessary steps for the way forward.

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