
A FRIEND IN NEED IS A FRIEND INDEED

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Europe is in the middle of a battle against an invisible enemy transcending national borders. Following the initial shock and individual reactions across different countries to the coronavirus outbreak, the European Union is pulling together its political force and economic strength to confront the spreading pandemic.

Despite the crisis, the EUs enlargement continues with our ever greater commitment demonstrated by the opening of accession negotiations with Albania and North Macedonia earlier in March. This week, North Macedonia joined its partners and Allies and became the 30th Member of NATO. Montenegro, already anchored in the Alliance, gains another regional partner in this collective security organization. The Western Balkans as a whole are more firmly linked to the West.

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