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## **BULGARIA AND ROMANIA COLLABORATE TOWARDS FULL SCHENGEN MEMBERSHIP**

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In a joint meeting, Bulgarian Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Mariya Gabriel and Romanian Foreign Minister Luminita-Teodora Odobescu vowed to coordinate actions to eliminate internal European border checks. The two nations are set to work closely for their partial Schengen accession on March 31, seeking the support of the European Commission. The ministers emphasized the importance of dialogue with Austria and other EU states in this regard.

Security concerns in the Black Sea region, particularly heightened due to Russia's actions in Ukraine, were also discussed. The nations plan to collaborate in strengthening NATO's capacity on the eastern flank. Both countries marked their 20th anniversary of joining NATO this year. They are actively working together to counter the risk of landmines in the Black Sea region.

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