

Russia Appreciates European Change of Mind

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Russia happily appreciated the European Union (EU) change of approach over deployment of US antimissile system (DAM) in this continent expressed at Nice Summit, France.

For them it was necessary to know the actions the Russian Federation will undertake in response to those unilateral measures, said the Foreign Affairs Minister Serguei Lavrov in declarations to Eco Moscow radio station.

However, the minister appreciated French President Nicolas Sarkozy's declaration, leading the EU during these six months, who affirmed in Niza that the deployment of the antimissile shield does not provide any security but make the situation more complicated.

Lavrov emphasized the French leader has practically urged to follow the same steps Moscow has talked about in the last few year and a half with emphasis on the need to obtain a break in the unilateral movements, dealing with continental security

The Head of the Russian diplomacy pointed out that this point of view is valid for the DAM and the NATO expansion to the Russian borders or any other measure considered a threat to the national security of the largest country of the planet.

The principle of security indivisibility can not be violated, emphatically insisted the Russian minister.

Moscow backed Sarkozy's proposal to adopt a break in all those matters at least during the creation of a new International security treaty which signing proposal was reiterated in Nixa by the Russian head of State Dmitri Medvedev.

The EU leaders think over again about their positions after Medvedev recently announced in his annual report to the Federal Assembly over the possibility to deploy Iskander rockets complex in Kaliningrad in response to DAM.

Those tactics high-precision batteries are made up of guided ballistic missiles of 173 miles range and cruisers capable of hitting up to 310 miles long. It presence in Kaliningrad will allow to neutralize targets in Poland, Ukraine, Lithuania and Latvia.

In an attempt to provoke a change of attitude of Europeans, a few days before the G-8 Summit in Heligendamm Germany in June 2007, Moscow has successfully tested the ultramodern intercontinental ballistic missile (MBI) RS-24 of multiple warheads and the R-500 Iskander operational tactic.

It seems that the appearance of Iskander missiles in Kaliningrad have provoked a change of attitude in the EU leaders, expressed at the Nice Summit

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