

## Serbian Foreign Minister: The European Union Will Try to Make Serbia to Sanction Russia

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Serbian Foreign Minister Ivica Dacic said that he expects the EU to increase pressure on Serbia to introduce sanctions against Russia as the Ukrainian conflict grows more violent, adding that he believes that Serbia will build the same relationship of understanding and partnership with the new High EU Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Federica Mogherini as with her predecessor Catherine Ashton.

The EU's stance regarding Serbian decision not to impose sanctions on Russia will change based on the intensity of the Ukrainian conflict, that is, the growing conflict between the EU and Russia, Dacic told Belgrade-based daily Danas.

The position of the EU will depend on the developments in Ukraine, underlined Dacic.

He added that, in principle, he does not expect the appointment of a new High EU Representative to bring any changes to the approach that Catherine Ashton had to Serbia, Danas reports. "I expect mutual trust, understanding and partnership," Serbia's foreign minister said.

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