"Estonia supports presenting a MAP or NATO Membership Action Plan to NATO at the meeting of foreign ministers of the alliance in December, as we value and acknowledge your strong political desire and definite actions for the European-Atlantic integration of your country," assured President Toomas Hendrik Ilves, at his meeting with the Serbian Head of State, Mr. Filip Vujanović, who arrived in Estonia on a working visit.

The Estonian Head of State described as "positive" Montenegro's decision to send military medics to NATO's operation in Afghanistan as well as its further plans to contribute an infantry unit.

"Consequently Montenegro is showing itself to be a responsible member of the international community by participating in ensuring security in general, and not just its own," said President Ilves.

The Estonian Head of State assured the diversified support of his country in Montenegro's approach to the European Union.

"This is beneficial for both Montenegro and the European Union," emphasised President Ilves. "Estonia would like to and hopes to support your euro-integration in the future, by sharing our accession and reform experiences."

In this the Estonian Head of State proposed the subject of administrative capacities, which is considered one of the key issues according to the European Commission, as highly important for Montenegro.

When speaking of bi-lateral contacts, President Ilves admitted that the relations between Estonia and Montenegro are good; however, these relations need to be enhanced at all levels, including economically, where co-operation has been limited to date.

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