



**REPUBLIC OF SERBIA  
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS**

**DACIC RECEIVES LETTER OF GRATITUDE FROM  
AMBASSADORS OF NORDIC COUNTRIES**

First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Ivica Dacic received a letter of gratitude from the ambassadors of Sweden, Denmark, Finland and Norway in Serbia for the kind offer to transport citizens of these Nordic countries who happened to be in Serbia at the moment of declaration of the state of emergency due to the outbreak of coronavirus with an Air Serbia plane that went to pick up Serbian citizens in Stockholm.

We bring the letter in its entirety:

„Dear Minister,

Yesterday, an Air Serbia plane was sent to Stockholm to bring home Serbian citizens stuck there. At the time when the decision was made to send the plane, your Ministry kindly offered to return with the same airplane citizens of Nordic countries who happened to be in Serbia.

Through intensive work and cooperation among Nordic embassies in Belgrade, we managed to get in touch with the majority of those citizens during the weekend and board them onto the above-mentioned airplane. They have returned to their homes and are grateful for that.

We would like to express gratitude to the Serbian government on the organisation of that flight and to highlight excellent cooperation and kindness of the Office of the Protocol of your Ministry and Dragan Petrovic personally.

Additionally, we would like to emphasize that the airport and border police staff at Nikola Tesla airport solved often difficult questions in a very professional and cooperative way, which will be surely remembered not only by the Nordic embassies, but by the passengers too.

For medical reasons, borders have appeared again throughout Europe. However, this is a temporary situation. The acts of help and cooperation in resolving this challenge for all our societies will remain engraved in our memory longer than the current restrictive measures.

Cordially,

Jan Lundin  
Ambassador of Sweden

Anders Christian Hougaard  
Ambassador of Denmark

Kimmo Lahdevirta  
Ambassador of Finland

Jorn Eugen Gjelstad  
Ambassador of Norway”

Belgrade,  
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