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I am optimistic that the nuclear issue will be resolved in a positive manner. This will allow for a new beginning in the bilateral relations between Iran and Europe. Ultimately we need to achieve a return to normal in our relations. However, there is still a lot of obstacle to be overcome.



I will not delve into the issue of bilateral relations. Regarding the overall EU perspective on Iran, I hope this agreement will allow us to move into an era of increased contacts and co-operation. At the end of the day, Iran could – and should – be a strategic partner of Europe instead of anything else. I also believe that the aspirations of the Iranian people towards a freer and more globalised future would best be served if we try to dramatically increase interaction and exchanges between them and Europe. This is what I've been advocating for a very long time.



The interim agreement reached on the country's nuclear programme represents a major diplomatic breakthrough particular for the EU relation with Iran. While supporting efforts to reach a diplomatic solution, the European Parliament has called on the EU to adopt a broader strategy towards Iran which addresses the country's regional role and encourages more cooperation on counter-terrorism, fighting drug trade, and energy security. The EP's Committee on Foreign Affairs is preparing a recommendation for the European External Action Service, the Council and the Commission expected to be adopted during the February 2014 plenary session. From Poland perspective we are happy about the agreement which have been reached and in the future we will be looking to improve our trade relation with Iran. Taking into consideration the history of our prosperous relationship we had, Poland is not satisfied with the recent drop of 30% in our trade relation. We value our partnership in the field of energy, trade and we are willing to work on rebuilding our relation in the future.

