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## **Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Donetsk People's Republic**

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### **Main news of the Republic (from September 18 to September 25)**

#### ***The Head of the DPR held a televised question and answer session with the residents of the Republic***

On September 22, a direct dialogue between the Head of the Donetsk People's Republic Denis Pushilin and the residents of Donbass took place. It received 1,758 questions and requests.

Denis Vladimirovich gave answers to questions that were combined into thematic blocks: preparation for the autumn-winter period, restoration and repair of roofs and elevators, wage increase, pensions and social benefits, food security, modernization of the coal industry, development of education, integration of Donbass with Russia, foreign policy.

In particular, Denis Pushilin commented on the situation in the Minsk negotiation process:

“We had no illusions regarding the Minsk agreements, but nevertheless, this is an international platform that is important for the Republic, and we are trying to use it to the maximum. First of all, so that our position is heard, fixed, and that our intentions to end the conflict in a peaceful way, through a political settlement, reach their goal. Of course, this is not profitable for Ukraine, it signed the Minsk agreements as a losing party. But for some reason, from a certain moment, Ukraine began to consider itself a winner and is trying to behave in the negotiation process this way. That is, it can afford to talk about rewriting the Minsk agreements, about changing those conditions, promoting the idea that these are non-binding documents. They say they have the laws of Ukraine. But no, their laws are not most important. The Minsk agreements were signed in September and the complex of measures on the Minsk agreements in February, when Ukraine lost, when there were entrapments the Ukrainian army got into. We all remember this.

For us, these are also not simple documents. And yet we made a compromise. The documents are spelled out in such a way that many points are unfavorable for neither one nor the other side to the fullest. But this is a peaceful path, peaceful steps that would make it possible to end the conflict. Moreover, if it ended the time the set of measures

was signed, it would be possible to avoid a huge number of victims and destruction, and everything connected with it.

But Ukraine took a different path - the path of sabotage, destructive actions, and this continues to this day. Nevertheless, Ukraine does not withdraw from the Minsk agreements and reacts very painfully when we ask the question directly: "Will you fulfill the Minsk agreements? If not, tell about it. " We are ready for any development, "Denis Pushilin said.

### ***The DPR delegation paid a working visit to South Ossetia***

On September 18-20, the DPR delegation paid a visit to the Republic of South Ossetia.

The delegation included the Chairman of the People's Council of the DPR Vladimir Bidyovka, the head of the "Donetsk Republic" faction Valery Skorokhodov and the First Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Sergey Peresada.

Representatives of the Donetsk People's Republic met with the President of the Republic of South Ossetia Anatoly Bibilov, the Speaker of the Parliament of the Republic of South Ossetia Alan Tadtayev and his first deputy Petr Gassiev.

During the visit, the DPR delegation also attended a solemn meeting of representatives of the public of the Republic of South Ossetia "The heart is registered in Ossetia" and celebrations on the occasion of the Day of the Republic of South Ossetia.

Let us remind you that every year on September 20, South Ossetia celebrates a public holiday - Republic Day. On September 20, 1990, the Council of People's Deputies of the South Ossetian Autonomous Region adopted a declaration on the state sovereignty of the South Ossetian Soviet Democratic Republic.