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On International Roma Day, President visits SHUTO ORIZARI

### **Ivanov : Macedonia has the right to be proud of conditions it has created for the Roma**

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On the occasion of 8 April International Roma Day, President Ivanov visited Shuto Orizari and met with the mayor of the municipality, Elvis Bajram. The Mayor welcomed the visit of Ivanov and noted the importance that Macedonia attaches to the International Roma Day is a great honor and meaning to them.

- Extending congratulations to the members of the Roma community on the occasion of International Roma Day, I want to emphasize that Macedonia has the right to be proud because of the conditions created for the Roma, and as a community and as individuals, to contribute to the development of our country in every sphere of social life. With the extent of the rights enjoyed by members of the Roma community, the Republic of Macedonia is an example for the entire world. The Roma community is an inseparable part of our multi-ethnic Macedonian society, which continually creates conditions for the cultivation of the Roma ethnic and cultural identity, and presents an example of equal opportunities and rights. Our model of coexistence, respect for diversity is the greatest force in Macedonia, said Ivanov.

President Ivanov said that will continue to strive for the promotion of the rights of the Roma community and the level of achievement of their full inclusion in the Macedonian society.

- The process of further improving the social, economic and overall situation of Roma, requires daily activities and maximum engagement. Just like that, only with involvement, with solidarity, and as a country and as a society, we will confront and overcome the challenges which this ethnic community faces. I want you to know that in me personally, and the institution of President, you always have a dedicated and faithful supporter of this process, Ivanov said.

International Roma Day - April 8, is the day that marks the Roma culture, history and identity, and efforts to raise public awareness of the problems and challenges faced by Roma in all countries, as the largest ethnic minority in Europe.

Also, in celebration of April 8 - International Roma Day, President Ivanov and Prime Minister Nikola Gruevski congratulated the members of the Roma community in the Republic of Macedonia.

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