



**SEIMAS OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA
COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS**

**STATEMENT
ON THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE POLITICAL PARTIES IN GEORGIA**

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The Committee on Foreign Affairs of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania,

affirming that the relations with Georgia is an important priority of the foreign policy of the Republic of Lithuania,

supporting the choice of the citizens of Georgia to build the future of their country in the democratic transatlantic community and seek integration into the European Union and NATO,

welcomes the documents signed by the main political parties in Georgia on 8 March 2020, thereby agreeing to reform the electoral system and avoid politicisation of legal processes, and **considers** this to be an important step in consolidating democracy in the country;

welcomes the will and maturity demonstrated by all the participants in the dialogue with a view to achieving a compromise essential for Georgia, strengthening mutual trust, and reducing political confrontation;

calls on all the political forces in Georgia to adhere to the agreement reached on 8 March 2020 so that the forthcoming elections to the Parliament of Georgia are held in compliance with the highest standards and the recommendations of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe.

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Chair of the Committee