Press Release: Meeting of BRIC Foreign Ministers

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On September 25, a BRIC meeting involving Sergey Lavrov, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation; Celso Amorim, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Brazil; Yang Jiechi, Minister of Foreign Affairs of China; and Anand Sharma, Minister of State for External Affairs of India, took place in New York.

Priority issues on the 63rd UNGA agenda were discussed.

Special attention was paid to agreeing on common approaches for all four countries to topical world development problems, including the state of affairs in global finances, the food crisis, climate change and cooperation within the Heiligendamm Process of the Group of Eighth and its partners.

Possible joint steps on these issues were examined in the context of upcoming international forums.

A keen exchange of views also took place on further steps to develop quadripartite interaction in the course of scheduled meetings at the foreign ministers, finance ministers and other levels.

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