

URUGUAY MAY RECOGNIZE NAGORNO-KARABAKH REPUBLIC

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"Today we are looking into the issue in order to present an official government position on the matter," said Almagro. "I am personally convinced that Nagorno-Karabakh is part of historic Armenia and it must be independent and in a short while be unified with Armenia. This is the only resolution to the Artsakh issue."

Almagro was speaking at a conference in Uruguay's capital organized by the Armenian National Committee of South America and the Uruguay-Armenia parliamentary group marking the 20th anniversary of Armenia's Independence, highlighting Uruguay-Armenia relations. Armenian Revolutionary Federation parliamentary faction leader Vahan Hovannesian welcomed Almagro's statement calling it unprecedented.

"For the first time, a progressive and democratic country such as Uruguay is officially expressing a position, which reflects the posturing of the ruling political forces," said Hovannesian, who stressed that the process will take some time.

