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**VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER OF THE FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA(\*),  
MR. BRANKO CREVENKOVSKI, TO NATO ON 4 FEBRUARY 1998**

**INFORMATION**

The Prime Minister of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia(\*), Mr. Branko Crvenkovski, accompanied by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, Dr. Blagoj Handziski, will visit NATO Headquarters on Wednesday, 4 February. He will meet the Secretary General, Dr. Javier Solana, and the North Atlantic Council. The visit will begin at 14:50.

**MEDIA ADVISORY**  
(not for publication)

**PROGRAMME OF THE VISIT**

14:50 NATO main entrance. Arrival of Mr. Crvenkovski. Open coverage on a first-come, first-served basis.

Followed immediately by a meeting with the Secretary General in the Private Office. In view of the limited space available, only a restricted pool will be authorized to cover the beginning of the meeting.

15:15 Room1: 16+1 North Atlantic Council session. Introductory remarks by the Secretary General, followed by reply by Prime Minister Crvenkovski. Coverage of the beginning of the meeting by a restricted pool.

16:15 NATO Press Hall area (Press Entrance). Meeting with the press. Open coverage.

**ACCREDITATION**

Journalists wishing to cover the visit of Prime Minister Crvenkovski will be allowed into the NATO premises on presentation of a NATO accreditation pass or a valid press pass. Photographers and cameramen wishing to be part of the Restricted Pool should contact Mr. N. Fiorenza.

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**(\*)Turkey recognizes the Republic of Macedonia with its constitutional name.**