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Viktor Orbán: Hungarian nation possesses the political and economic capabilities, which help us remain independent

In Tusnádfürdő /Băile Tușnad on Saturday, Prime Minister Viktor Orbán said that the Hungarian nation possesses the political and economic capabilities, and soon the physical capabilities as well, which will enable us to remain independent. In his speech on the closing day of the 30th Bálványos Free Summer University and Student Camp (Tusványos), the Prime Minister stressed that the country's sovereignty has been regained and its borders have been protected against migration. He pointed out that his generation had been given a historic opportunity to strengthen the Hungarian nation. The Prime Minister said that it has been an unfairly hard struggle so far, and it will continue this way in the future. He noted that it is possible for an EU country of ten million inhabitants, even in a liberal spirit to climb out from under a mountain of debt, to restore its economic sovereignty, to grow faster than liberal democracies, to successfully reject migration, to protect families, to defend Christian culture, to announce national unification and nation building, and to create an order of Christian liberty – and in all this to survive against an international headwind, what is more, to make it succeed. Concluding his speech, the Prime Minister said that all this requires courage and unity, as expressed in this year's slogan for the Tusványos event: "The camp is united".

Zsolt Semjén: supporting Hungarian organizations abroad is in the interest of the Hungarian nation

Speaking at the traditional round-table discussion on the policy for Hungarian communities abroad the 30th Bálványos Free Summer University and Student Camp in Tusnádfürdő/Băile Tușnad on Friday, Deputy Prime Minister Zsolt Semjén said that the Hungarian government supports Hungarian parties and organizations, because this serves Hungarian interests and it is in line with the constitution. The meeting called "Mini Hungarian Standing Conference" was attended not only by the Hungarian leaders responsible for Hungarian communities abroad, but also representatives of Hungarian organizations abroad who presented the situation of their communities. The Deputy Prime Minister recalled that while in 2009 (during the era of the last Socialist Party) about HUF 9 billion (EUR 28 million) was spent on Hungarian communities abroad, by 2019 this amount reached HUF 130 billion (EUR 412 million). He added that in the first years the main goal of the Hungarian Government was to strengthen Hungarian identity abroad, while some years later large-scale economic development programs were launched which created a "winner-winner" situation since these programs are good for Hungary, good for Hungarians abroad and also good for Hungary's neighboring countries.



Árpád János Potápi: the 2010's have brought a breakthrough in the policy for Hungarian communities abroad

On Wednesday, in his speech at the opening event of the 30th Bálványos Free Summer University and Student Camp, State Secretary for Hungarian Communities Abroad at the Prime Minister's Office Árpád János Potápi said that the 2010's saw a breakthrough in the policy for Hungarian communities abroad. The State Secretary said that in the past three decades the summer university in Tusnádfürdő/Băile Tușnad in central Romania have formed "guiding ideas" without which today's Hungarian policy for Hungarian communities abroad would be inconceivable. Among the most important milestones, he mentioned the status law, the education support for Hungarian children abroad and the responsibility for Hungarian communities abroad laid down in the new Basic Law of Hungary.

Potápi: there is no Hungarian future without Hungarian children

Speaking at a round-table discussion at the 30th Bálványos Free Summer University and Student Camp, State Secretary for Hungarian Communities Abroad Árpád János Potápi stressed that "Hungarian families form the basis of the Hungarian nation" and without Hungarian children there is no Hungarian future. Mr. Potápi highlighted that when they speak about strengthening identity, they also mean the strengthening of Hungarian families. The state secretary said that several elements of Hungary's family policy have been extended to Hungarian communities abroad. He added that the State Secretariat for Hungarian Communities Abroad distributed 6600 baby packages among Hungarian families abroad who applied for the maternity benefit as part of the Köldökzsinór Program. Speaking about the main programs of the State Secretariat for Hungarian Communities Abroad, he mentioned the financial supporting of family-friendly enterprises, as well as civil and church associations abroad which offer family-friendly services.



Family supporting policy can contribute to population growth

Deputy State Secretary at the Ministry of Human Capacities responsible for family policy Attila Benda and Vice President of Femine Fortis, physical therapist Mária Zupko took part in a roundtable discussion at the Gombaszög Summer Camp in Slovakia, focusing on the new Hungarian and Slovakian family policy trends. The Deputy State Secretary said that though the problem of decreasing population had been known since the middle of the 80's in Hungary, it was only in 2010 when the current government started actions to solve the problem of population and support families. Mr. Benda stressed that Hungary's family policy is recognized and valued positively in Europe.





Hungary spends over HUF 1 billion on the projects of Hungarian communities in Vojvodina.

Speaking at a press conference in Tusnádfürdő/Băile Tușnad, State Secretary for Hungarian Communities Abroad Árpád János Potápi – together with the chairman of the Alliance of Vojvodina Hungarians (VMSZ) István Pásztor – announced that another substantial amount of financial support has been granted to the Hungarian communities in Vojvodina for developments and programs of national importance. The Government Decision passed on 8th June grants a financial support of HUF 1.89 billion (EUR 3.4 million) to complete investments already started and to launch new ones this year, while next year another HUF 325 million (EUR 1 million) and in 2021 an amount of HUF 290 million (EUR 920,000) will be granted to Hungarian communities in Vojvodina. Árpád János Potápi recalled that Serbia was in a very difficult economic, political and social crisis at the turn of the millennium, and that the life and physical existence of the Hungarian community was in danger, but they responded to this situation not by leaving the mother land. Instead they persisted and managed to develop in all fields of life, finding a way out of the crisis. The chairman of the Alliance of Vojvodina Hungarians (VMSZ) István Pásztor said that from this support, 11 important Hungarian investments will be completed in Vojvodina.



Hungarians in Transcarpathia will have no seats in the Ukrainian parliament

Hungarians in Transcarpathia couldn't achieve a breakthrough at the early parliamentary elections in Ukraine held on Sunday and did not manage to win a seat in the Ukrainian Parliament. The Cultural Association of Hungarians in Transcarpathia (KMKSZ) claims that several abuses and frauds were committed both during the campaign as well as on the day of the election against the three candidates of the Hungarian union. According to the data of the Central Election Commission of Ukraine (CVK), in the electoral district of Nagyszőlős/ Vynohradiv, the Hungarian candidate (the president of the KMKSZ) László Brenzovics took the second place with 26,21 % of the votes behind his rival, businessman Vladislav Poljak from Nagyszőlős/ Vynohradiv. Vice-president of the KMKSZ József Barta received the fourth place with 12,37 % of the votes in the electoral district Ungvár/ Užhorod and vice-president of the Hungarian Democratic Union in Ukraine (UMDSZ) Miklós Tóth received the third place in the district of Munkács/Mukachevo, receiving 11,7 % of the votes.

