

The Chairman of the Government of Ajara Zurab Pataradze met with the representatives of Foreign Economic Relations Board of Turkey (DEIK), they were in Ajara Region on a working visit. The meeting was also attended by the Minister of Agriculture of Ajara Lasha Komakhidze, the Minister of Finance and Economy of Ajara Ramaz Bolkvadze, the Deputy Minister of Finance and Economy of Ajara Sulkhan Khalvashi and the head of International Relations Department of Ajara Khatuna Nakeuri. The Turkish Delegation was headed by the chairman of DEIK's Turkish-Georgia Business Council Cemal Yangın. The meeting was also attended by the Consul General of Turkish Republic in Batumi Mr. Yasin Temizkan, Secretary General of International Investors Association of Georgia Osman Chalishkan (Mzhavanadze) and other members. At the meeting it was noted that Turkey is the most important trade partner of Georgia. The investments and tourism were underlined as important spheres of cooperation. The parties underlined that cooperation between Turkey and Georgia are playing an important role for the regional economic development. The Turkish party expressed its gratitude for support of Georgia in events on July 15, at coup attempt. The Chairman of Ajara Government Zurab Pataradze expressed his sorrow for an increasing number of terrorist attacks which was happened lately in Turkey. "Turkey is the partner country for Georgia and the projects which are under way at the present time in our region are very important. It was planned to hold business forums in both countries. We are interested for entering the Turkish investors in our region, at the meeting they also discussed the current and future investment projects. I think it was very important and productive meeting which encourages the development of economic relations between two countries "- said Mr. Zurab Pataradze at the end of meeting.