

to progress. They see the Schengen Agreement - for open European frontiers - as the best context for that. Joint use of the airport should re-enter the agenda before long.

Sufficient common ground should by now have been re-established for such progress soon to be possible.

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