Government strengthens international migration cooperation and announces plans to further promote returns

At the International Migration Review Forum in New York, the Netherlands reached agreements with more than 100 countries to strengthen global migration management. The agreements aim to increase returns and establish return hubs, adopt a tougher approach to human smuggling, and improve border management, while reaffirming the commitment to protecting the human rights of migrants.

Additionally, the Minister for Asylum and Migration chaired a meeting with Syria focusing on the importance of return and reconstruction. In the coming period, the Netherlands plans to establish projects in cooperation with the European Commission and other Member States, while maintaining close contact with the Syrian authorities to further promote returns and contribute to Syria's reconstruction.

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