Dutch and German ministers discuss cooperation on border checks, return hubs and the solidarity mechanism

The Minister for Asylum and Migration visited his counterpart in Germany, where it was agreed to foster stronger cooperation on checks in the border area and joint return hubs. Both Germany and the Netherlands, who are part of a European core group for setting up return hubs, want to enter into talks as soon as possible with countries where a return hub can possibly be established by means of joint diplomatic missions. Additionally, both countries are investigating how they can strengthen their cooperation during checks in the border area for effective enforcement, while limiting the impact on border traffic. They both considered the timely and full implementation of the Pact to be crucial and plan to continue working closely together, including with regard to the implementation of the solidarity mechanism.

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