
GEORGIAN GOVERNMENT DEFYING EUROPEAN UNION

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Ball now in Brussels court to retain credibility.

Its no surprise that Georgia has defied a European Union ultimatum to roll back recently instituted authoritarian measures. The onus is now on Brussels to follow through on its threat to impose a severe punishment for non-compliance.

EU officials gave the Georgian Dream government in Tbilisi until August 31 to address concerns about the countrys political direction, or lose visa-free travel privileges to the Schengen Zone. Among the EUs demands were the repeal of a controversial foreign agents law and anti-LGBTQ family values legislation.

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