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Plans to Unite World Litvaks into Community on Internet Webpage

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Lithuanian Prime minister Andrius Kubilius has formed a working group for creating a Litvak heritage forum.

The prime minister's chancellor Deividas Matulionis said the Litvak heritage forum would join the Litvaks scattered around the world into a community. He said the initiative for creating the forum came from Litvaks themselves when the prime minister was visiting the USA.

"There's an initiative group, several Litvaks, who believe that a webpage needs to be set up, to provide more information about historical ties, this would be some kind of social tool. Later perhaps activities would expand, it would be possible to organize conferences, events," Matulionis told BNS.

Asked when the webpage would appear, Matulionis said "there are rich Litvaks, who support the idea, so maybe rather quickly."

Representatives of the Jewish community, the prime minister's council, the foreign ministry, the education and science ministry, the culture ministry, the Lithuanian ambassador to Israel and other people have been included in the working group for creating the concept of the Litvak heritage forum.

The working group has been given the task of preparing the concept of the Litvak heritage forum and presenting it to the government and international Litvak organizations by November.

Litvak means Lithuanian Jew or descendants of Lithuanian Jews.

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