

Title: STANISHEV ON A VISIT IN NEW YORK

Bulgaria's Prime Minister Sergey Stanishev is on an official visit in New York.

Pouring rain welcomed the PM in The Big Apple. It prevented him from touring the city. He admitted this was the first time he was in New York. Stanishev had yesterday working breakfast with the Director of the American Center for Democracy Rachel Ehrenfeld, who was on a visit in Bulgaria a month ago. They discussed the anti-corruption measures of the government and further steps in this sphere. Later the PM met with the Bulgarian community in the USA. Stanishev has an appointed meeting with one of the biggest US businessmen – Alan Levy. They will discuss future US investments in Bulgaria. Levy is a chairman of **Tishman International**, which plans to invest EUR 65 M in Bulgaria. The sum will be spent on the construction of a huge business center near Sofia. 1,000-1,200 jobs will be opened. It is expected next week the cabinet to make Levy a Honorary Consul of Bulgaria in California.