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POLITICAL ISSUES

SAUDI ARABIA

1) Pakistan attaches great importance to relations with Saudi Arabia

Islamabad, Wednesday, 17 June 2015

Minister for Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony Muhammad Yousaf said that Pakistan Government attaches great importance to its relations with Saudi Arabia during his meeting with Saudi Ambassador Jasim Al Khaldi.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en/_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=344633&Itemid=2

See also: Business Recorder, Karachi

<http://www.brecorder.com/pakistan/general-news/246075-pakistan-attaches-great-importance-to-relations-with-saudi-arabia.html>

2) President Mamnoon Hussain met Saudi King Salman

Jeddah, Friday, 19 June 2015

President Mamnoon Hussain in a meeting with King Salman in Jeddah discussed bilateral relations, regional situation and matters of mutual interest and reiterated Pakistan's promise to help Saudi Arabia's territorial integrity and defence.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en/_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=344999&Itemid=1

See also: The Nation, Lahore

<http://188.138.70.146/national/19-Jun-2015/president-mamnoon-meets-king-salman>

See also: Daily Times, Lahore

<http://www.dailytimes.com.pk/national/19-Jun-2015/president-meets-saudia-arab-s-king-salman>

3) President left for home after concluding Saudi visit

Jeddah, Thursday, 25 June 2015

President Mamnoon Hussain left for Islamabad after visiting Saudi Arabia where he held several meetings with the Saudi leaders. He also offered Umrah.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en/_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=345680&Itemid=1

See also: Daily Times, Lahore

<http://www.dailytimes.com.pk/national/25-Jun-2015/president-leaves-for-home-after-concluding-saudi-visit>

TURKEY

4) Nawaz congratulated Turkish PM for holding peaceful general elections

Islamabad, Tuesday, 9 June 2015

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif congratulated Turkish Prime Minister Ahmet Davutoglu on the completion of the Turkish general elections and the AKP's emergence as the single largest party.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=342989&Itemid=2

See also: Business Recorder, Karachi

<http://www.brecorder.com/top-news/108/245213-nawaz-congratulates-turkish-pm-for-holding-peaceful-general-elections.html>

5) PM condoled the demise of former Turkish President Suleyman Demirel

Islamabad, Thursday, 18 June 2015

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif expressed deep condolences on the death of Turkey's former President Suleyman Demirel in separate messages to Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan and Prime Minister Ahmet Davutoglu.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=344936&Itemid=2

See also: Business Recorder, Karachi

<http://www.brecorder.com/pakistan/general-news/246205-pm-condoles-demise-of-former-turkish-president-suleyman-demirel.html>

6) Pakistan ambassador discussed ways with Turkey to enhance high level contacts

Islamabad, Friday, 19 June 2015

Pakistan's ambassador to Turkey Sohail Mahmood called on President of Religious Affairs of Turkey Mehmet Gormez to discuss ways to increase high level bilateral contacts.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=345020

7) Ambassador Sohail called on Turkish Foreign Minister

Islamabad, Tuesday, 23 June 2015

Pakistan's Ambassador to Turkey Sohail Mahmood called on Foreign Minister Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu and discussed Pakistan-Turkey Free Trade Agreement.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=345470&Itemid=2

See also: The Pioneer, Karachi

<http://thepioneer.com.pk/pakistans-ambassador-sohail-calls-on-turkish-foreign-minister/>

DEFENCE ISSUES

KUWAIT

8) Commander Kuwaiti Naval Force, Admiral Zakaullah discussed cooperation

Islamabad, Tuesday, 9 June 2015

Commander of Kuwait Naval Force Major General Khaled called on Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Muhammad Zakaullah and discussed bilateral and regional security issues.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=342974&Itemid=2

See also: Daily Times, Lahore

<http://www.dailytimes.com.pk/national/10-Jun-2015/pakistan-kuwait-navy-chiefs-discuss-regional-security-situation>

9) Commander Kuwait Naval Force called on Air Chief

Islamabad, Wednesday, 10 June 2015

Commander of Kuwait Naval Force Major General Khaled called on Air Chief Marshal Sohail Aman and discussed Pakistani Navy's role in regional maritime security situation and operational developments in the Indian Ocean.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=343211&Itemid=9

See also: Pakistan Observer, Islamabad

<http://pakobserver.net/detailnews.asp?id=266052>

MISCELLANEOUS ISSUES

IRAN

10) Pak-Iran goods train inaugurated

Quetta, Tuesday, 9 June 2015

Baluchistan's Chief Minister inaugurated Pak-Iran goods train, which would run between Quetta in Pakistan to Iranian city of Zahidan once a week.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=342860

See also: Business Recorder, Karachi

<http://www.brecorder.com/top-stories/0/1194502:balochistan-chief-minister-inaugurates-pak-iran-goods-train/?date=2015-06-10>

See also: The Nation, Lahore

<http://nation.com.pk/business/10-Jun-2015/pak-iran-goods-train-inaugurated>

11) Iranian delegation met Saira Afzal Tarar

Islamabad, Tuesday, 16 June 2015

An Iranian delegation, comprising senior officials from Ministry of Health and Medical Education, called on Pakistan's Minister for National Health Services Saira Afzal Tarar to discuss disease control, disease prevention, vaccination and medical education.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=344561

See also: Business Recorder, Karachi

<http://www.brecorder.com/pakistan/politics-a-policy/245973-iranian-delegation-meets-saira-afzal-tarar.html>

See also: The Express Tribune, Karachi

<http://tribune.com.pk/story/904289/eradicating-polio-iran-offers-free-vaccines-to-pakistan-afghanistan/>

TURKEY

12) Turkish-Urdu dictionary launched in Ankara

Islamabad, Thursday, 4 June 2015

The Embassy of Pakistan, Turkish Language Institution (TDK) and Urdu Department of Ankara University organized a book launching ceremony of Turkish-Urdu dictionary compiled by Prof Dr Ahmad Bakhtiar Ashraf of Ankara University and Prof Dr Celal Soydan of Istanbul University.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en/_index2.php?option=com_content&do_pdf=1&id=341744

See also: Daily Times, Lahore

<http://www.dailytimes.com.pk/national/05-Jun-2015/turkish-urdu-dictionary-launched-in-ankara>

UAE

13) UAE's Yahsat launched internet service in Pakistan

Islamabad, Tuesday, 30 June 2015

UAE's broadband satellite internet service provider *Yahsat* launched its internet service called 'YahClick' for Pakistan's home and business users.

Source: The News International, Karachi

<http://www.thenews.com.pk/Todays-News-2-326330-UAES-Yahsat-launches-internet-service-in-Pakistan>

See also: The Express Tribune, Karachi

<http://tribune.com.pk/story/914146/uaes-yahsat-launches-broadband-services-in-pakistan/>

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