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POLITICAL ISSUES

BAHRAIN

1. Ayaz termed Pakistan, Bahrain relations historical

Islamabad, Monday, 22 September 2014

Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq during his meeting with Bahrain King Hamad bin Isa Al-Khalifa in Manama termed the bilateral relations as close and historical. Both discussed the importance of high level visits in further strengthening the relations.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=302915&It_emid=1_

See also: The News International, Karachi

 $\underline{\text{http://www.thenews.com.pk/Todays-News-2-274503-NA-speaker-holds-meetings-with-Bahrain-king-others}\\$

2. Ayaz Sadiq for further strengthening Pak-Bahrain relations

Islamabad, Wednesday, 24 September 2014

Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq during a meeting with Ambassador of Bahrain Mohamed Ebrahim Mohamed Abdul Qader emphasized on the need to strengthen parliamentary, executive and business interaction between two countries.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=303248&It_emid=2

See also: Pakistan Today, Lahore

 $\underline{http://www.pakistantoday.com.pk/2014/09/24/city/islamabad/na-speakers-speaks-highly-of-pak-bahrain-relations/}$

IRAN

3. Iranian Envoy called on Raja Zafa-ul-Haq

Islamabad, Friday, 12 September 2014

Ali Raza Haghijhian, Ambassador of Iran called on Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar ul Haq, Leader of the House in the Senate to pay his gratitude for a statement made in the UN General Assembly by the Prime Minister of Pakistan regarding the rights of the Palestinian people.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=301349&It emid=2

See also: The Nation, Lahore

http://nation.com.pk/national/12-Sep-2014/iranian-ambassador-calls-on-raja-zafar-ul-haq

4. Sartaj Aziz, Iranian FM Zarif discussed bilateral, regional issues United Nations, Monday, 22 September 2014

Adviser to Pakistan's Prime Minister on National Security and Foreign Affairs, Sartaj Aziz discussed subjects of bilateral interest, including the Pak-Iran gas-pipeline with Iranian Foreign Minister Javad Zarif at a meeting on the sidelines of the UN session.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

 $\underline{http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content\&task=view\&id=302987\&It\\emid=1$

See also: Business Recorder, Karachi

http://www.brecorder.com/general-news/172:pakistan/1226550:sartaj-and-iranian-foreign-minister-zarif-discuss-regional-issues/?date=2014-09-23

KUWAIT

5. Envoys-designate to UK, Kuwait called on President

Islamabad, Friday, 5 September 2014

Muhammad Aslam Khan, Ambassador-designate to Kuwait, called on President Mamnoon Hussain and discussed matters related to his new diplomatic assignment. The president congratulated him on his appointment and urged to help in further strengthening relation between the two countries.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=300305&It emid=1

See also: Business Recorder, Karachi

http://www.brecorder.com/top-news/108-pakistan-top-news/192815-envoys-designate-to-uk-kuwait-call-on-president.html

TURKEY

6. New Turkish PM has remarkable vision of Muslim world: Sartaj Aziz Islamabad, Friday, 5 September 2014

Sartaj Aziz, National Security and Foreign Affairs Adviser to Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif said in an interview that Turkey's new Prime Minister Ahmet Davutoglu has a remarkable vision of the Muslim world that can help in promoting peace in the conflict zones.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=300347&It emid=2

See also: Business Recorder, Karachi

http://www.brecorder.com/top-news/108-pakistan-top-news/192948-new-turkish-pm-has-remarkable-vision-of-muslim-world-sartaj-aziz.html

ECONOMIC ISSUES

IRAQ

7. Pakistan, Spain, Iraq discussed enhancing economic ties Islamabad, Thursday, 18 September 2014

Ambassador of Iraq Rushdi Mahmood Al Ani met with Speaker, National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq during which the latter asked the Ambassador to work for joint ventures by Pakistani and Iraqi business communities in diverse fields including

and health sectors.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=302282&It emid=2

agriculture, oil refining, industrial production, infrastructure development and education

See also: The Business Recorder, Karachi

http://www.brecorder.com/top-news/1-front-top-news/195965-pakistan-spain-iraq-discuss-enhancing-economic-ties.html

See also: Daily Times, Lahore

http://www.dailytimes.com.pk/business/19-Sep-2014/pakistan-spain-iraq-discuss-enhancing-economic-ties

QATAR

8. Pakistan and Qatar agreed to further promote trade and economic ties Islamabad, Tuesday, 30 September 2014

Pakistan and Qatar agreed to further open up all possible areas of cooperation especially in the field of energy, trade and economic ties and import of natural gas from Qatar.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=304457&It emid=38

MISCELLANEOUS ISSUES

IRAQ

9. Aisam to donate wheelchairs to Iraq

Islamabad, Tuesday, 2 September 2014

Pakistan Tennis star Aisam-ul-haq Qureshi would donate five wheelchairs to Iraq through his foundation '*Stop War*, *Start Tennis*' hoping that wheelchair tennis would give hope to people who have been disabled during war.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=299888&It emid=62

See also: The Dawn, Karachi

http://www.dawn.com/news/1129442

IRAN

10. Iran Red Crescent Society ready to dispatch aid to Pakistan

Islamabad, Tuesday, 9 September 2014

Head of Iran's Red Crescent Society Mohammad Farhadi expressed readiness to dispatch humanitarian aid to flood-hit areas in Pakistan to his Pakistani counterpart Saeed Elahi.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=300731&It emid=2

KUWAIT

11. Pakistan went down 3-0 against Kuwait in Asian Games Volleyball

Incheon, Saturday, 20 September 2014

Pakistan went down 3-0 against Kuwait in their opening group B preliminary round match.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=302666&It emid=231

QATAR

12. PIA to get eight planes on lease from Qatar

Islamabad, Friday, 26 September 2014

Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) would get eight aircrafts from Qatar on lease as it was not ready to purchase new aircrafts.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=303782&It_emid=2

TURKEY

13. Turkey invited Pakistani jewellers to Istanbul Jewellery Show

Karachi, Tuesday, 2 September 2014

Turkish Jewellery Association (TJA) invited members of Karachi Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KCCI) to Istanbul Jewellery Show which would be held in October.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad

 $\underline{\text{http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content\&task=view\&id=299933\&Itemid=2}$

See also: Daily Times, Lahore

http://www.dailytimes.com.pk/business/03-Sep-2014/turkey-invites-pakistani-jewellers-to-istanbul-jewellery-show

14. Turkish PM telephoned Nawaz; conveyed grief over loss of lives, property Islamabad, Thursday, 11 September 2014

Prime Minister of Turkey Ahmet Davutoglu telephoned Prime Minister Mohammad Nawaz Sharif and conveyed his grief for the loss of property and lives due to recent floods.

Source: Associated Press of Pakistan, Islamabad http://www.app.com.pk/en_/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=301127&Itemid=2

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