

**Ambassadors/High Commissioner-designate of Palestine, Russian Federation, Portugal, Australia, and Kazakhstan present their Credentials to President Dr. Arif Alvi**

**ISLAMABAD; SEPTEMBER 04, 2019:** Ambassadors/High Commissioner-designate of Palestine, Russian Federation, Portugal, Australia, and Kazakhstan presented their credentials to President Dr. Arif Alvi in an impressive credentials ceremony at the Aiwan-e-Sadr, Islamabad on Wednesday.

Later, the Ambassadors/High Commissioner separately called on the President. Speaking on the occasion, the President said that Pakistan wants to further strengthen its relations with all friendly countries. He enjoined upon the international community to play its role in the resolution of Kashmir dispute, where fundamental human rights were being blatantly violated by Indian armed forces. He said that Pakistan was a peaceful nation and had rendered enormous sacrifices for world peace. He added that fascist Indian regime had now endangered the peace in the region and the world at large.

The President emphasized that today's Pakistan provides very conducive environment for better investment and business opportunities and hoped that investors from these countries would avail them by investing in diverse areas. He also underscored that regular exchange of bilateral delegations was essential for strengthening people-to-people contact and forging strong political and economic linkages.

The President felicitated the newly appointed Ambassadors/High Commissioner to Pakistan and hoped that they would work for further strengthening the existing ties of their respective countries with Pakistan.

The envoys who presented their credentials included Ambassador of Palestine, Ahmed Jawad Amine Rabei, Ambassador of Russian Federation, Danila Viktorovich Ganich, Ambassador of Portugal,

Paulo Neves Pacinho, High Commissioner of Australia, Dr. Geoffrey Shaw, and Ambassador of Kazakhstan, Akan Rakhmetullin.

Earlier, each envoy-designate arrived at the main gate of the Aiwan-e-Sadr in a horse-driven carriage. On the occasion, the National Anthem of Pakistan and their respective countries were played and the envoys designate were also presented Guard of Honour.

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