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JOINT STRATEGY IMPERATIVE TO TACKLE ISSUES CONFRONTING MUSLIM UMMAH: NA
SPEAKER

BILATERAL COOPERATION IN ECONOMIC SECTORS, TO BE MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL: SPEAKER
ASAD QAISER

Islamabad; June 28, 2021: Ambassador of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Nawaf bin Said Al-Malki called on Speaker National Assembly Asad Qaiser in Parliament House, today. Bilateral relations and issues of mutual interest were discussed during the meeting.

Speaker Asad Qaiser said that Pakistan and Saudi Arabia enjoyed strong fraternal ties firmly rooted in shared faith, culture, traditions and mutual goodwill. He said that the people and Government of Pakistan have deep respect for Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques and the Saudi Leadership. He added that Pakistan wanted to strengthen the bilateral relations through enhanced cooperation in social and economic sectors between two brotherly countries. Commending the role of Kingdom as a leader of the Islamic Ummah, the Speaker said that Saudi Arabia has always played its positive role for maintaining peace in the region.

The Speaker said that Saudi Arabia has always been a generous supporter of social development in Pakistan. Emphasizing on promoting bilateral trade, he said that bilateral cooperation in economic sectors would be mutually beneficial. He said that Saudi Arabia has been very considerate about resolution of problems faced by Pakistani expatriates working in the Kingdom.

Speaker Asad Qaiser said that Pakistan's Parliament has always worked to cement the brotherly relations. He said that Parliamentary exchanges would help to further strengthen bilateral relations. Talking about the growing trend of Islamophobia in the west, the Speaker said that it is a great challenge for which there is a need to devise joint strategy besides bringing out the true image of the religion of peace.

He Thanked the Kingdom's principled position on Jammu and Kashmir, especially in the context of the 47th Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (CFM) of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC). Ambassador Nawaf bin Said Al-Malki said that Saudi Arabia also attaches great importance to its fraternal relations with Pakistan and considers it a sincere friend and brother. He said the trade committees of the Parliament of both the countries could play an important role in promoting bilateral trade. The Ambassador assured the Speaker that Saudi Arabia would continue to cooperate in social sector in Pakistan. He praised the role of Pakistani expatriates in economic development of Saudi Arabia.