AMBASSADOR’S MESSAGE

July has been a historic month in Pakistan-U.S. relations owing to Prime Minister Imran Khan's successful visit to Washington from July 20-23, 2019.

This was the Prime Minister’s first official visit to the U.S. since assuming office last year. His delegation included senior ministers and advisers including Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi, as well as a high-level military component including Chief of Army Staff, D.G. ISI and D.G. ISPR.

The Prime Minister had a productive meeting with President Donald J. Trump at the White House on July 22. The two sides held delegation-level talks over lunch covering a wide range of issues including security, energy, trade and investment. The talks were preceded by a 40 minute media interaction in the Oval Office. President Trump gave Prime Minister Khan and his delegation a guided tour of the White House. He also introduced the Prime Minister to First Lady Melania Trump.

In an unprecedented event, Prime Minister Imran Khan addressed the Pakistani-American community at a filled to the capacity Capital One Arena on July 21. Pakistanis from all over the US converged at the Arena to hear the Prime Minister’s address to the diaspora. This was one of the largest ever public events held in Washington DC by a foreign head of state or government.

The Prime Minister had very useful engagements at Capitol Hill. He attended a reception hosted in his honor by the Congressional Pakistan Caucus where a large number of Senators and Congressional representatives, both Democrats and Republicans were in attendance. In a separate meeting, he met with Speaker of the House, Nancy Pelosi. Prime Minister was also called upon by Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, President of the World Bank and Managing Director of the IMF.

Prime Minister Imran Khan addressed the Pakistan Business Summit at the Embassy of Pakistan which was attended by Pakistani-American investors from various sectors across the US. He also held individual and collective meetings with top corporate executives, hedge fund managers as well as a U.S.-Pakistan Business Council delegation.

Among his other activities in this brief yet substantive visit, Prime Minister Imran Khan also spoke at the U.S. Institute of Peace (USIP). He also interacted with prominent figures from the U.S. media over a lunch held at the Embassy.

Prime Minister Imran Khan carried a simple yet powerful message to Washington; Pakistan wants strong ties with the U.S. based on mutual respect and trust. He informed his American interlocutors about the historic transition taking place in Pakistan under his government which has an agenda of socio-economic development through efficient and transparent governance.

The success of the Prime Minister’s visit will go a long way in infusing new life in Pakistan-U.S. ties.

We are confident that follow up of the decisions taken during the Prime Minister's visit will help deepen relations between the people of Pakistan and the U.S.
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President Donald J. Trump welcomes Prime Minister Imran Khan at the White House, Washington, DC.

Prime Minister Imran Khan and President Donald J. Trump heading their respective delegations during their summit-level meeting at the White House.

Prime Minister Imran Khan and delegates with President Donald J. Trump in the White House Oval Office.

President Donald J. Trump took Prime Minister Khan and members of his delegation on a tour of the White House.

Prime Minister Imran Khan with President Donald J. Trump and First Lady Melania Trump.

President Donald J. Trump presented Prime Minister Imran Khan a cricket bat and a picture of President Eisenhower, the only US President to have witnessed a Test match in Pakistan in December 1959.

Prime Minister Imran Khan having an informal discussion with President Donald J. Trump before departing from the White House.

Prime Minister Imran Khan met President Donald J. Trump at the White House. This was the first summit-level engagement between Pakistan and the US since 2015. During their meeting, Prime Minister Khan and President Trump reviewed progress of the Afghan peace and reconciliation process. They discussed several key issues including trade, Kashmir and the economy. The two leaders affirmed their resolve to work together across a broad range of areas. Both leaders acknowledged the immense opportunity and potential for mutually beneficial collaboration in diverse fields such as trade, investment, energy, economic connectivity, and defense and security cooperation. Prime Minister Khan invited the U.S. corporate sector to invest in Pakistan.
President Trump appreciated Pakistan's contributions to the war on terror. Prime Minister Khan reaffirmed Pakistan's commitment to continue supporting the Afghan peace process in good faith. Prime Minister Khan briefed President Trump about his vision of Pakistan's socio-economic development. He said that a "peaceful neighborhood" was a priority of Pakistan's foreign policy and that peace and stability in the region will allow Pakistan to harness its rich human resource potential to generate growth and spur regional connectivity.

President Trump appreciated Prime Minister Khan's vision for peace in South Asia. Prime Minister Khan reiterated Pakistan's stance that normalization of relations with India would be mutually beneficial for the two countries. He underscored that Pakistan would continue to pursue dialogue and diplomacy to resolve longstanding disputes, including the core dispute of Jammu and Kashmir. President Trump expressed his readiness to play a facilitating role in resolution of the Kashmir dispute. The two leaders held comprehensive discussions with a focus on building a broad-based and enduring Pakistan-US partnership and strengthening cooperation between the two countries to bring peace, stability and economic prosperity in South Asia.

Pakistan's delegation included the Foreign Minister, Chief of Army Staff, DG (ISI), Advisors on Finance and Commerce, Special Assistant on Overseas Pakistanis, Foreign Secretary, Ambassador-at-Large on Investment and Pakistan's Ambassador to the United States.

Prime Minister Khan extended a cordial invitation to President Donald J. Trump for a visit to Pakistan. The President accepted the invitation.

**PRIME MINISTER ADDRESSES PAKISTANI DIASPORA AT CAPITAL ONE ARENA, WASHINGTON DC**

Prime Minister Imran Khan addressing the Pakistani diaspora at Capital One Arena.

Prime Minister Imran Khan addressed a massive gathering of Pakistani diaspora at the Capital One Arena, Washington, DC during his maiden official visit to the US. In a historical turnout, the venue was filled to the capacity. During his remarks, Prime Minister Imran Khan expressed his resolve to make Pakistan a progressive, developed and self-sufficient State. He also highlighted efforts made by Pakistan in fighting terrorism successfully and key initiatives taken to develop friendly relations with countries in the region. The grand event at Capital One Arena was carried by national as well as international media.

**CALL ON THE PRIME MINISTER BY US SECRETARY OF STATE MIKE POMPEO**

U.S. Secretary of State, Mike Pompeo, called on Prime Minister Imran Khan at Pakistan House, Washington DC. Expressing satisfaction at his wide-ranging talks with President Trump at the White House, Prime Minister said that convergence on promoting a political solution in Afghanistan had created the opportunity for regional peace and stability. He added that a peaceful and stable Afghanistan was vital for Pakistan.

Prime Minister Khan said that a strong Pakistan-U.S. partnership remained vital to the promotion of the mutual interests of the two countries as well as the broader region. Reiterating his government's support to a broad-based and enduring Pakistan-U.S. relationship, the
Prime Minister emphasized the need to further enhance and diversify the bilateral content of the relationship in a wide range of areas. Prime Minister Imran Khan also spoke about his government's successes in countering the scourge of terrorism and his initiatives to build peace in the region. He noted that the Government of Pakistan had taken several administrative and legal measures to mainstream religious educational institutes generally known as Madrassas. As part of his "peaceful neighbourhood" policy, Prime Minister Khan reiterated Pakistan's desire for peaceful and cooperative relations with all its neighbours. He highlighted the various initiatives taken to advance this objective with regard to India.

Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi, Foreign Secretary Sohail Mahmood, Ambassador Asad M. Khan and Additional Secretary (Americas) Aftab Khokhar joined the meeting. Secretary Pompeo was accompanied by Under Secretary for Political Affairs David Hale, Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs Alice Wells and US Charge d’Affaires in Islamabad, Paul W. Jones.

PRIME MINISTER MEETS SPEAKER OF THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AT CAPITOL HILL

Prime Minister Imran Khan met with Speaker of the US House of Representatives, Nancy Pelosi at the US Capitol. During their meeting, the two exchanged views on matters relating to Pakistan-U.S. relations and regional developments. Prime Minister expressed that through his visit to the United States, he intended to enhance better understanding and renew long-standing ties between the two countries. He said that Pakistan would continue to work with the United States to building an enduring partnership and promoting regional stability. The Prime Minister added that peace in the region was vitally important for the promotion of Pakistan's development agenda. He affirmed that Pakistan would continue to play its role to help achieve the shared objective of a political solution in Afghanistan. Prime Minister Imran Khan apprised Speaker Pelosi of his Government's domestic priorities including people-centric socio-economic development.

PRIME MINISTER IMRAN KHAN ATTENDS A RECEPTION AT CAPITOL HILL

Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee, Chairperson of Congressional Pakistan Caucus hosted a reception in honour of Prime Minister Imran Khan at Capitol Hill. Members of the US Congress presented a copy of the Special Resolution introduced in the Congress to welcome Prime Minister Imran Khan's inaugural visit to USA and to reaffirm the continuing support and commitment to the long and enduring Pakistan-US friendship. The reception was attended by a large number of Senators and Members of US House of Representatives. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, House Minority leader Kevin McCarthy and a large number of congressional representatives, both Democrats and Republicans, also attended the reception. Prominent members of the Pakistani-American community were also present on the occasion.
LEADING REPUBLICAN SENATOR LINDSEY GRAHAM (R-SC) CALLS ON PRIME MINISTER

Leading Republican Senator Lindsey Graham called on Prime Minister Imran Khan at Pakistan House. They discussed bilateral relations and the regional situation. Prime Minister Khan appreciated Senator Graham’s efforts and support for strengthening Pakistan-U.S relations and apprised the Senator of his Government’s development and economic priorities. He reiterated Pakistan’s desire for a broad-based relationship with the United States that safeguards interests of both countries and promotes win-win cooperation in areas of economy, trade and investment, energy and education. Senator Graham agreed with the Prime Minister that sustained and high-level engagement between Pakistan and the United States are for the mutual benefit of both countries. He appreciated Pakistan’s support for the peace and reconciliation process in Afghanistan. The Senator said the marked improvement in Pakistan’s security environment was a result of its successful counterterrorism operations and efforts to secure the Pakistan-Afghanistan border.

PRIME MINISTER MEETS PRESIDENT WORLD BANK

David Malpass, President of the World Bank, called on Prime Minister Imran at the Embassy of Pakistan, Washington, DC. The Prime Minister was assisted by Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi, Dr. Hafeez Shaikh, Adviser to the Prime Minister on Finance, Mr. Abdul Razak Dawood, Adviser to the Prime Minister on Commerce, Mr. Sohail Mahmood, Foreign Secretary and Ambassador Asad M. Khan. Prime Minister Imran Khan appreciated the tremendous support extended by the Bank in different sectors of the Pakistan’s economy over the years and reiterated his government’s people-centric development agenda focused on increased spending on health, education and youth of Pakistan.

CALL ON THE PRIME MINISTER BY MANAGING DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF)

David Lipton, Acting Managing Director of International Monetary Fund (IMF) called on Prime Minister Imran Khan at the Embassy of Pakistan, Washington, DC. He was accompanied by Mr. Jihad Azour, Director of the Middle East and Central Asia Department and Mr. Jafar Mujarrad, Executive Director of the Fund and Alfred Kammer, Chief of Staff, Office of the Managing Director. Prime Minister Imran Khan thanked the IMF Board of Directors for approving the recent Extended Fund Facility (EFF) for Pakistan. He pointed out that reforms implemented under the IMF Program will be instrumental in stabilizing the economy and reviving growth. He expressed his government’s commitment to take all necessary measures needed to resolve the macroeconomic and structural challenges for sustainable and long-term growth. Prime Minister Khan said that his government was determined to minimize the initial adverse impact of the reform process on the vulnerable social groups through enhanced allocation for social sectors and social protection initiatives including the Ehsaas Programme. Mr. Lipton acknowledged various initiatives undertaken by the government to stabilize the economy.
PRIME MINISTER GIVES AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW TO FOX NEWS

Prime Minister Imran Khan appeared for an exclusive interview with Bret Baier for his show “Special Report” on FOX News. The interview focused on a wide range of topics including regional peace and bilateral relations. Prime Minister Khan gave detailed responses on key issues and challenges faced by the country. He reiterated his government’s commitment to create “Naya Pakistan”. The complete interview can be accessed at https://video.foxnews.com/v/6062830280001/.

Right: Prime Minister Imran Khan in an exclusive interview with Bret Baier, host of Special Report, FOX News.

PRIME MINISTER SPEAKS TO US MEDIA

Prime Minister Imran Khan gave an off-the-record briefing to senior editors and correspondents from US and international media.

PRIME MINISTER ADDRESSES AT THE UNITED STATES INSTITUTE OF PEACE (USIP)

Prime Minister Imran Khan addressed at the United States Institute of Peace, Washington DC. Speaking to an audience of U.S. policymakers, scholars and diplomats, Prime Minister Khan discussed in length, developments in Pakistan, the U.S.-Pakistan relationship and regional security. Regarding his meetings with President Trump and other US officials, Prime Minister said he hoped for an improved relationship with the US as equals. Commenting on the Afghan peace process, Prime Minister Khan said that Pakistan Army stands right behind the Pakistan Government and extends support in all areas of foreign policy including Afghanistan. He reiterated Pakistan’s support for an Afghan-led and Afghan-owned peace process and promised to facilitate the peace process.

The full video can be watched at: https://youtu.be/IV3S2PNxnV0
Prime Minister Imran Khan addressed members of the business community at the Pakistan Trade and Investment Summit held at the Embassy of Pakistan Washington, DC. The summit was attended by Pakistani-American business elite from across the US. Prime Minister Imran Khan highlighted the policy framework and conducive environment for promotion of foreign investment in Pakistan. He invited businessmen and investors to benefit from the economic and business opportunities offered by Pakistan’s strategic location and its connectivity to the broader region.

US-Pakistan Business Council (USPBC) Delegation Calls on Prime Minister

US-Pakistan Business Council delegation led by Mr. Myron Brilliant, Executive Vice President and Head of International Affairs of US Chamber of Commerce called on Prime Minister Imran Khan at Embassy of Pakistan. The delegation included senior executives of leading US companies including Proctor & Gamble, Bayer, Facebook, Google, Cargill and others. Talking to members of the delegation, Prime Minister Khan appreciated the Council’s contribution to the economy of Pakistan. He apprised the participants about the initiatives and reforms introduced and implemented by the government to promote investment in the country. He encouraged member companies to expand their footprint in Pakistan and benefit from Pakistan’s strategic location, large consumer market and young population.
Prime Minister Imran Khan arrived in Washington on a three-day official visit to the United States on July 20. He was welcomed at the airport by Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi and US Acting Chief of Protocol, Mary-Kate Fisher. An enthusiastic crowd of Pakistani-Americans gathered near Pakistan House welcoming the Prime Minister to the US.

On July 23, following the successful conclusion of his official visit to Washington DC, Prime Minister Imran Khan was seen off by Ambassador Dr. Asad M. Khan at Dulles International Airport. US Acting Chief of Protocol, Mary-Kate Fisher was also there to see off the Prime Minister. Prime Minister left for Pakistan by a commercial flight.

**PAKISTAN HIRES LOBBYING FIRM**

The Embassy of Pakistan, Washington DC and Washington’s top lobbying firm Holland & Knight signed a contract for provision of lobbying services to Pakistan. Former Republican Congressman Tom Reynolds, representing Holland & Knight, called on the Foreign Minister at the Embassy. His team comprised of other former members of Congress, former senior Administration officials, Capitol Hill Veterans and other professional experts. Noting the importance of the Prime Minister’s upcoming visit to the US in revitalizing the Pakistan-US bilateral relations, the Foreign Minister hoped that Holland & Knight would be able to work efficiently with the Embassy to advance Pakistan’s interests in the United States. Congressman Reynolds thanked the Foreign Minister for reposing confidence in Holland & Knight and assured him of their full support in forging strong Pakistan-US bilateral relations based on mutual respect and mutuality of interests.
FOREIGN MINISTER’S CURTAIN-RAISER PRESS BRIEFING WITH PAKISTANI MEDIA

Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi briefed Pakistani media about Prime Minister Imran Khan’s upcoming visit to the US at the Embassy of Pakistan, Washington, DC.

FOREIGN MINISTER BRIEFS PAKISTANI MEDIA AFTER SUMMIT MEETING

Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi gave a detailed roundup of the Summit meeting between Prime Minister Imran Khan and US President Donald J. Trump at the White House. The press briefing was attended by Pakistani journalists based in Washington DC, senior journalists from New York as well as private journalists visiting from Pakistan for coverage of the Prime Minister’s official visit to the US.

DIRECTOR GENERAL INTER SERVICES PUBLIC RELATIONS (ISPR) BRIEFS PAKISTANI JOURNALISTS

In an off-the-record interaction, Director General Inter Services Public Relations (ISPR) Maj. Gen. Asif Ghafoor briefed DC-based Pakistani journalists, senior Pakistani journalists from New York and private mediapersons from Pakistan who were visiting the US for coverage of the Prime Minister’s visit.

CONGRESSIONAL OUTREACH

SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO PM (SAPM) MEETS WITH REP. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

Special Assistant to the Prime Minister, Zulfiqar Bukhari met with Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX), Co-Chair of the Pakistan American Congressional Caucus to discuss Prime Minister Imran Khan’s visit to the US.

AMBASSADOR MEETS SENATOR ED MARKEY

Ambassador Dr. Asad M. Khan met with Senator Ed Markey (D-MA) and discussed a whole range of bilateral and regional issues. Ambassador Khan briefed the Senator on Pakistan’s role in supporting the US-led Afghan peace process.

AMBASSADOR MEETS WITH REP. RO KHANNA

Ambassador Dr. Asad M. Khan met with Congressman Ro Khanna (D-CA). They discussed Prime Minister Imran Khan’s recent visit to U.S. and ways to promote Pakistan-U.S. relations. Congressman Khanna took keen interest in promoting peace in South Asia. Ambassador Khan thanked Congressman Khanna for joining the Pakistan Caucus.
AMBASSADOR HOSTS RECEPTION FOR SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRIME MINISTER (SAPM)

Ambassador Dr. Asad M. Khan hosted a dinner reception for the Special Assistant to the Prime Minister (SAPM) for Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development Sayed Zulfikar Bukhari at the Embassy of Pakistan, Washington DC. While addressing a large gathering of Pakistani-American community, SAPM highlighted the government's efforts to strengthen Pakistan's institutions and economy & urged diaspora to play greater role in national development.

EMBASSY CELEBRATES THE LIFE AND WORKS OF DR. HAFEEZ MALIK

An event was organized to celebrate the life and works of Dr. Hafeez Malik, veteran scholar and renowned academician at the Embassy of Pakistan, Washington DC. Dr. Malik has been instrumental in creating a scholarly identity for Pakistan and Pakistani-Americans in the US.

AMBASSADOR MEETS WITH SUMMER SISTERS EXCHANGE PROGRAM DELEGATES

Ambassador Dr. Asad M. Khan received a group of young and bright high school students from Pakistan. The group visited the US as part of American University's Summer Sisters Exchange Program.