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Dear friends,

I hope and pray you all enjoyed a happy and safe Thanksgiving. This year has been difficult for everyone but I am sure we will turn the corner soon and better days lie ahead.

November has been a busy month in Pakistan-U.S. relations. Prime Minister Imran Khan congratulated President-elect Joseph R. Biden and Vice President-elect Kamala Harris on their victory in the U.S. presidential elections. In his message, the Prime Minister said he looks forward to working together with the U.S. leadership in the days ahead.

During this month, the Prime Minister undertook a historic visit to Kabul where he met with the Afghan leadership and reaffirmed Pakistan’s commitment to lasting peace in Afghanistan and the region.

The Prime Minister also participated in a virtual event hosted by the World Economic Forum where he highlighted Pakistan’s efforts to mitigate the effects of climate change and its willingness to partner in global efforts to deal with this issue.

The unabated plight of the innocent people of Jammu & Kashmir remained a major international priority for Pakistan. The Prime Minister as well as the Foreign Minister highlighted India’s continuing atrocities in Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu & Kashmir (IIOJK) at every international forum. India’s draconian actions and policies also drew criticism from the international media. The highlights of the month include Government of Pakistan’s presentation to the world a dossier with a compilation of irrefutable evidence of India’s active planning, promoting, aiding, abetting, financing and execution of terrorist activities to destabilize and malign Pakistan through subversive means.

We hosted the 2nd episode of our webcast series on the potential of tourism in Pakistan. Owing to the significance of November being the month of Baba Guru Nanak’s birth anniversary we dedicated the event to the glorious Sikh heritage in Pakistan where we invited a diverse group of panelists who not only gave insightful presentations but also shared their mesmerizing and heart touching experiences of visiting Pakistan.

On the bilateral front, I had a very useful exchange of views with the CEO of U.S. International Development Finance Corporation (DFC) where we discussed ways to enhance investments by the U.S. private sector in Pakistan. In another significant development, the U.S. side, through the Manhattan District Attorney’s office, helped secure the safe return of 45 antiquities to Pakistan. We are grateful for this gesture that will go a long way in helping us to ensure our cultural preservation.
Prime Minister Imran Khan congratulated U.S. President-elect Joe Biden and Vice President-elect Kamala Harris on a successful election campaign. The Prime Minister said he looks forward to working together to curb illicit financial flows, in addition to furthering peace in Afghanistan, as well as the region.
Prime Minister Imran Khan made a historic maiden visit to Kabul. His discussion with President Ashraf Ghani focused on the ongoing peace talks with the Taliban as well as on building trust and strengthening relations between the two countries. Prime minister Khan assured the President Ashraf Ghani that his government would do “everything possible” to help reduce violence in Afghanistan.

During the visit Pakistan and Afghanistan jointly issued a document titled “Shared Vision between Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and Islamic Republic of Pakistan, to Support Peace & Stability in Both Countries & the Wider Region.”
The World Economic Forum hosted a “Special Dialogue with Prime Minister Imran Khan” giving the chief executives from across the world an opportunity to hear from Prime Minister on the factors behind Pakistan’s resilience to the economic shocks of the pandemic and Pakistan’s post-COVID-19 recovery strategy. The dialogue was chaired by Forum President Børge Brende and more than 70 members and partners of the World Economic Forum from around the world participated in the virtual meeting.

Prime Minister explained the policy priorities of the Government of Pakistan, including regional connectivity projects like the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), and progress on talks to improve trade flows between Afghanistan and Pakistan following his visit to Kabul. He also responded to questions from chief executives on promoting a digital economy in Pakistan and improving the enabling environment for long-term investors.

Watch the dialogue [here](https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2020/10/imran-khan-special-dialogue-with-prime-minister/).
Ambassador Dr. Asad M. Khan met International Development Finance Corporation (DFC) CEO Adam Boehler. They exchanged views on expanding trade and investment by the U.S. private sector in Pakistan, particularly in energy, IT and small enterprises. They also exchanged views on establishing regional trade linkages with Afghanistan. Adam Boehler is expected to visit the region in December.
PAKISTAN IN U.S. MEDIA

Bloomberg

Pakistan says it has evidence of India sponsoring attacks

The Washington Times

Pakistan claims 'Irrefutable Evidence' of Indian Links to Terrorism on Pakistani Soil

Yahoo News

Pakistan says it has evidence of India sponsoring attacks

VOA

Pakistan gives U.N. a dossier on India after India submits one on Pakistan

Al Jazeera

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THE EMBASSY HOSTS A VIRTUAL TOUR OF ‘SIKH YATRA THROUGH PAKISTAN’

In its endeavour to highlight religious and cultural Sikh heritage in Pakistan, the Embassy of Pakistan, Washington, DC held the 2nd episode of its webcast series on tourism titled "Sikh Yatra through Pakistan-A virtual event " on November 25, 2020.

Governor of Punjab, Chaudhry Muhammad Sarwar, delivered his keynote speech. The webinar included a virtual tour of Sikh heritage and religious sites, the screening of a documentary “Legacy Yearns for Footsteps” highlighting religious tourism prospects and opportunities in Pakistan, and a panel discussion with prominent speakers from the Sikh community; Mr. Amardeep Singh, Mr. Jasdeep Singh, Ms. Harbir Kaur and Dr. Dalvir Singh Pannu. Panelists shared their experiences in Pakistan and made suggestions for attracting more Sikh Yatrees to Pakistan.

The event was attended by important stakeholders from the U.S. tourism sector including Sikh Diaspora as well as tour operators, travel agents, influencers and travel journalists from all over the U.S.

Watch Ambassador's remarks here.
TWITTER HIGHLIGHTS

INDIA-SPONSORED TERRORISM | PAKISTAN PRESENTS EVIDENCE TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

Imran Khan @ImranKhanPTI · Nov 14
We have provided irrefutable evidence of India's state sponsored terrorism inside Pak. Details of financial & material support & Indian state's direct involvement in terrorism have been given to the world which, in the face of this evidence, cannot remain indifferent or silent.

Shah Mahmood Qureshi @SMQureshiPTI
Funding banned orgs, arming terrorists, savage attacks on innocent civilians & desperately trying to lobby against 🇮🇳's growing global role of peace & progress; India has become a rogue state. It is time world wakes up to an Indian state that is only incredible in its fanaticism.

Imran Khan @ImranKhanPTI · Nov 14
Repeating to @ImranKhanPTI
We expect the international community to force India to end its terrorism & bring to justice those responsible for killing thousands of innocent people in Pakistan. Our resilient & courageous security agencies & forces will continue to give their all to protect our people.

Imran Khan @ImranKhanPTI · Nov 14
Let there be no doubt anywhere that we know how to defend our country and will continue to do so with our combined national resolve.
TWITTER HIGHLIGHTS

CHER MEETS PRIME MINISTER IMRAN KHAN

Prime Minister’s Office, Pakistan @PakPMO - Nov 27

US celebrity singer @cher called on Prime Minister @ImranKhanPTI at Islamabad today.

Appreciating her efforts in retiring #Kaavan to an elephant sanctuary, the Prime Minister thanked Cher for her campaign and role in this regard.

State_SCA @State_SCA - 6h

Thanks to the multi-year campaign led by @Cher with help from @FourPaws & cooperation with the Government of Pakistan, Kaavan is free & off to his new home in Cambodia! Ensuring animal welfare & protecting endangered species are global responsibilities. #FreeKaavan

FOREIGN MINISTER ON PM’S VISIT TO AFGHANISTAN

Shah Mahmood Qureshi @SMQureshiPTI - Nov 19

Great trip to Afghanistan accompanying PM @ImranKhanPTI, focussing on our multi-faceted relationship across a strengthening bilateral relationship, partnership in the Afghan peace process & regional economic devp/connectivity. 🇺🇸🇺🇸 are bonded through history, faith and kinship.

INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR TOLERANCE

Shah Mahmood Qureshi @SMQureshiPTI - Nov 17

In observance of @UN Int’l Day for Tolerance, I presided over a panel comprising of some of 🇵🇰 most eminent members of our minority communities who spoke of Pakistan’s pluralism, strength in diversity & peaceful coexistence. A tolerant society is a strong society. ☪️ Zindabad.
THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE UNITED STATES ARE PART OF THE KASHMIR PROBLEM | INTERNATIONAL POLICY DIGEST

For seventy-three years, injustice has been allowed to continue with little notice from the world. Every year, on October 27th, “Black Day,” through massive demonstrations, Kashmir citizens express their opposition to oppression. India’s brutal responses have not been limited to the Black Day demonstrations. Every day since 1947 has been Black Day for Kashmir, especially those who have caught the attention of the Indian government.

Read here.
MANHATTAN DISTRICT ATTORNEY RETURNS 45 ANTIQUITIES TO PAKISTAN

MAJOR SAMIA REHMAN SERVING WITH U.N. PEACEKEEPING MISSION

12 PAKISTANI PROFESSORS MAKE STANFORD UNIVERSITY’S LIST OF WORLD’S TOP 2% MOST-CITED SCIENTISTS

KANZA JAVED WINS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION 2020 REYNOLDS PRICE PRIZE FOR FICTION