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**Outgoing Ambassador of Tunisia pays farewell call on President Dr. Arif Alvi**

**ISLAMABAD; JULY 31, 2019:** Pakistan highly valued its close relations of friendship with Tunisia, based on shared faith, culture and heritage, said President Dr. Arif Alvi, while talking to the Outgoing Ambassador of Tunisia, Mr. Adel Elarbi, who paid farewell call on him at Aiwan-e-Sadr, Islamabad today. Pakistan and Tunisia have common interests on various international issues, which is reflected in their common stance at international fora, he added.

The President stated that despite political goodwill and closeness, the bilateral trade was not commensurate to the true potential. He highlighted that Pakistan, through its deep-sea port at Gwadar and CPEC routes, provided a unique opportunity for Tunisia to expand its trade links with the Central Asian states and China.

The President congratulated him on successful completion of his tenure in Pakistan and appreciated his efforts for enhancing the relations between the two countries.

The Ambassador thanked the Government and people of Pakistan for their hospitality and making his stay in Pakistan pleasant.

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