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Ambassadors-designate of Portugal and Belgium call on President Dr. Arif Alvi

ISLAMABAD; AUGUST 01, 2019: Proactive measures are needed to further enhance the quantum of Pakistan's trade with Portugal and Belgium, said President Dr. Arif Alvi, while talking to the Ambassador-designate of Pakistan to Portugal, Mr. Javed Jalil Khattak and Ambassador-designate of Pakistan to Belgium, Mr. Zaheer Aslam Janjua, who separately called on him at Aiwan-e-Sadr, Islamabad today. He directed the ambassadors-designate to work for promotion of tourism, given Pakistan's huge potential in this sector.

Given the high importance Pakistan attached to its relations with Portugal and Belgium, the President urged the ambassadors-designate to make efforts to further strengthen bilateral relations as well as in the context of European Union in all areas of mutual interest. Underscoring the focus of the Pakistani Government on bolstering its exports through value-added products like designer goods and its investment friendly policies, the President directed the ambassadors-designate to work for further expansion of our economic cooperation.

Pakistan has the unique experience of being the only country in the world that has successfully grappled with the menace of terrorism, the President said. He emphasized that Pakistan is a peace-loving country, desirous of peaceful co-existence, particularly with its neighbours. He also highlighted that Pakistan seeks resolution of all its outstanding disputes with India, including Kashmir, through dialogue.

President wished Ambassadors-designate a successful stay in their respective countries and hoped that their tenure will bring more vigour and energy to Pakistan's relationship with these countries.
