
AZERBAIJAN PRESIDENT, MOROCCAN MINISTER BENABDELKADER MEETS IN BAKU

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President Aliyev met Minister Benabdelkader Tuesday in Baku. Benabdelkader was on a working visit to Azerbaijan October 28-30, Maghreb Arab Press reported.

During the reception, Aliyev talked about the development of relations between Azerbaijan and Morocco and expressed his hopes to strengthen trade relations between the two countries.

Azerbaijans trade with Morocco totaled only \$3.9 million in 2017, according to Azerbaijan's State Customs Committee.

Aliyev believes that the ministers visit to Azerbaijan will have a positive impact on bilateral relations between the two countries and contribute to raising awareness about the country, reported the Azerbaijan State News Agency (Azertac).

Benabdelkader described the meeting with Aliyev as indicative of the development of the existing excellent relations and manifestation of political will between the two countries.

Benabdelkader congratulated President Ilham Aliyev on Azerbaijan's successfully hosting major events of global significance, including the Baku Humanitarian Forum, European Games, Eurovision song contest, and the Islamic Solidarity Games, wrote Azertac.

Both agreed that the political relations between their countries have very good history.

Morocco and Azerbaijan established diplomatic relations between Morocco and Azerbaijan in December 1992.

The Azerbaijani president reaffirmed his country's support for Morocco's territorial integrity over Western Sahara. Azerbaijan's support is in conformity with international law and stems from the fraternal relations existing between the two countries, he added.

Benabdelkader pointed out Morocco's support for Azerbaijan's territorial integrity.

Morocco and Azerbaijan's State Agency for Public Service and Social Innovations (ASAN-Khedmat) signed an MoU in administration reform in June 2018 in Marrakech.

Benabdelkader's visit followed an invitation by the ASAN-Khedmat.

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