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JORDAN'S KING IN ‘HISTORIC' VISIT TO ARMENIA

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AVİMS' note: Jordan's King Abdullah II visited Armenia on 11 February. As it is known, there is a tradition in Armenia to take official visitors to the so-called genocide monument and hold a memorial ceremony. According to the Armenian press, it was planned for Abdullah II to visit the monument as well. However, as it can be understood from Armenian press, this did not take place. There is no information as to why Abdullah II did not make the visit to the said monument.

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Jordans King Abdullah II Ibn Al Hussein Al Hashimi, on his first visit to Armenia beginning on Tuesday, February 11, spoke of similarities between his country and Armenia, voiced support for closer bilateral ties and praised the centuries-old Armenian presence in the Middle East.

He also called for Armenian support for his position on the status of Jerusalem after holding separate talks with President Armen Sarkissian and Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan.

Both Armenian leaders described Abdullahs first-ever visit to their country as historic during the talks that seemed to have focused on ways of boosting Armenian-Jordanian economic ties. Sarkissian was satisfied with the wonderful discussions with His Majesty.

Im very glad that ☀ relations between our countries are reinvigorated and we have already concrete results, Pashinyan told the Jordanian monarch at the start of their meeting.

Our two countries and peoples have carved a niche for themselves in todays modern world, all the while remaining true to their identities, their cultures and faiths, Abdullah said in a speech delivered at the presidential palace in Yerevan later in the day. And Jordan, much like Armenia, has made its human capital the main driver of its journey towards development. Our countries have much to gain from cooperating to capitalize on this promising potential.

Although this is our first official visit to your beautiful country, we feel we are among family, and in fact we are family, he declared.

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