
PRESIDENT OF AZERBAIJAN ILHAM ALIYEV WAS INTERVIEWED BY LOCAL TV CHANNELS

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On January 5, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev was interviewed by local TV channels.

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Mirshahin Aghayev: We do believe that, as always, the ideas you voice at today's meeting will create a strategic agenda and provide sufficient topics for the Azerbaijani media and the overall public environment.

In terms of achievements on the table in 2025, I think it can be described as November 8 of years, and the culminating point of it is probably your historic visit to Washington at the invitation of the President of the United States of America, Donald Trump, in August and, without a doubt, your speech at the UN General Assembly. The documents signed between the United States of America and Azerbaijan, the agreements reached are important not only for Azerbaijan, but also for the entire region. In this regard, I would like to talk about your appeal to the world from the high UN podium, and also about the documents signed with the United States of America. So what are your reflections on the days at the White House on August 8 and at the UN on September 21?

President Ilham Aliyev: Thank you. Our meetings are traditional in nature. Such meetings at the beginning of each year both bring the people of Azerbaijan up to speed with the results of the year through you and also provide the opportunity to share our thoughts. As you noted, last year can indeed be viewed as historic. Because it was in 2025 that the Armenia-Azerbaijan war ended from a political point of view, and we have been living in peace for several months now. We are learning what it is like to live in peace since after gaining independence, and even before that, the people and the state of Azerbaijan lived in a state of war. There were different stages of the war. You remember that well. The active stage of the war, the stage of the ceasefire, the Second Karabakh War, the anti-terrorist operation, the period that followed it – all these events ended in August of last year. In other words, Azerbaijan has put a political seal on the brilliant Victory it achieved on the battlefield and, as I mentioned, we did it in the world's number one office. [...]

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