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President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov addressed the forum of Turkmen workers of culture and art

President Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov conducted a meeting with workers of culture and art. The cabinet ministers, the high-ranking officials of the Mejlis, ministries and departments including the Ministry of Culture and Broadcasting, the Ministry of Education and the velayat departments of culture, the public organisations of the Galkynysh National Movement were invited to take part in the meeting. Among the participants were the directors of the theatres, the large artistic groups, media agencies, prominent workers of culture and art.

President Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov addressed the keynote speech to the meeting participants.

The Turkmen leader emphasized that the ongoing fundamental reforms laid an awesome responsibility on workers of culture and art, particularly literary men, when performing their mission to raise public awareness through the national and universal values, the inviolable principles of humanism. The great reforms taking place in our country, the selfless work of the Turkmen people deserved glorifying, the President of Turkmenistan said. All this should be reflected in the works of our writers, artists, composers, cinematographers, TV specialists, journalists which fully presented the creative essence of the renewal processes in all spheres of life.....

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Messages to President from Emir of Qatar

Emir of Qatar Hamad Bin Khalifa Al-Thani sent a message to President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov.

In the message Emir of Qatar invited the Turkmen leader to pay a visit to his country aiming to enhance and expand further bilateral relationships between the two brotherly nations. The dates of the visit will be adjusted through diplomatic channels.

Hamad Bin Khalifa Al-Thani expressed belief that a meeting in Doha would be a splendid opportunity to exchange views on the issues of mutual interest and discuss the ways to foster friendship and mutually advantageous cooperation between our countries.

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Meeting of the Cabinet of Ministers

President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov chaired a meeting of the Cabinet of Ministers, which focused on the priority issues of the policy of the Turkmen state, in

particular the progress in implementing the sectoral development programmes. Vice Premier, Minister of Foreign Affairs R. Meredov reported on the work carried out by the Ministry to implement the foreign policy strategy aimed at strengthening and enhancing fruitful cooperation with all countries of the world. It was noted that the direct results of this progressive strategy initiated by President Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov was the enhanced prestige of our country and its leader on the world arena, expanded fruitful contacts between Turkmenistan and its foreign partners including the authoritative international organisations.....

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Messages to President of Turkmenistan from George Bush

George Bush sent a message to President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov

In particular, in his message George Bush expressed profound gratitude to the President of Turkmenistan for inviting his son Neil Bush to Turkmenistan and the opportunity of personal meeting in spite of the Turkmen leader's busy schedule.

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President of Turkmenistan receives CEO of SouthOil

President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov received CEO Neil Bush, CEO of South Oil, Texas, US and a member of the Board Mark Allen Bush.

Expressing gratitude for the opportunity of a personal meeting the top manager of the SouthOil conveyed the heartfelt greetings on behalf of his father, US ex-President George Bush and handed over a written message to Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov.

Thanking for the kind words and addressing the best wishes to the Bush family, President Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov noted that he was glad to welcome the American businessmen in Turkmenistan. Emphasizing that our country was always ready for cooperation on an equal, mutually advantageous basis, the Turkmen leader stated with satisfaction that a number of the leading companies from the United States ranked among Turkmenistan's long-term partners with whom active collaboration had been established in various fields.

The sides exchanged views on the prospects and potential of partnership in the fuel and energy sector in particular. In this context the Turkmen leader briefed the guests on the major priorities of Turkmenistan's energy strategy aimed at fundamental modernization of oil and gas industry and diversification of transit of Turkmen energy to world markets.

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President of Turkmenistan welcomes participants of international scientific forum in Ashgabat

President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov addressed the welcoming statement to participants of the international scientific conference on the Use of Alternative Energy Sources in Turkmenistan.

Addressing scientists and congratulating them on the opening of the forum, the Turkmen leader expressed belief that the interesting reports spotlighting the outstanding achievements in the development of scientific thought in Turkmenistan and the analytical reviews of the scientific, technological, ecological and economic aspects of contemporary use of alternative energy sources would be presented at the forum.....

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Alternative energy in focus of scientists

The International Conference on the Use of Alternative Energy Sources in Turkmenistan was conducted in Ashgabat on the initiative and under the patronage of President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov. The forum organized by the Academy of Sciences of Turkmenistan brought together the leading scientists from 27 countries worldwide including academicians, correspondent members of the academies of sciences and professors, the heads of the higher educational institutions from the United States, Austria, Japan, China, Korea, Australia, Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Uzbekistan, Spain and many other countries. The heads of the International Solar Energy Center for Technology Promotion and Transfer and the International Solar Energy Society, the representatives of the Europa House in Turkmenistan, the UN Development Programme and a number of the foreign companies participate in the conference. Turkmenistan was represented by the scientists and specialists of the research institutes affiliated with the Academy of Sciences of Turkmenistan, the research and design institutes, the higher educational institutions and core organisations at the conference.

Though the forum dedicated to renewable energy development was conducted in Turkmenistan for the first time, it drew keen interest of the world scientific community as a remarkable international event. Our country with abundant oil and natural gas reserves ranks among the largest energy exporters in the world. Nevertheless, with a view to fostering social and economic development, preserving natural resources, achieving the ecological wellbeing for the future generations the strategic trends in the policy of the Turkmen state consistently pursued by President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov included the development of new industries consuming alternative sources of energy. Thus, the wide-scale research and efficient adoption of innovative technologies and latest engineering thought in this field acquire particular significance today.....

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President of Turkmenistan receives Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Azerbaijan Republic

President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov received newly appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Azerbaijan Republic to Turkmenistan Vahdat Mamedaga ogly Sultan-zade, who presented the credential letters to the Turkmen leader.

Greeting the guest and noting that he had been working at the Azerbaijani Embassy in Turkmenistan for many years contributing to strengthening friendship and fruitful cooperation between the two neighbouring countries, the Turkmen leader congratulated Vahdat Mamedaga ogly Sultan-zade on the appointment to the important diplomatic post and wished every success in his work. In this regard Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov focused with satisfaction on the high dynamics of the intergovernmental Turkmen-Azerbaijani dialogue, which was filled with a new content nowadays.....

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Current tasks identified

The Interagency Commission for implementation of the human rights international commitments of Turkmenistan conducted a regular meeting in Ashgabat. As is known, the Commission established in accordance with the Resolution of President Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov in August 2007 is a permanent interdepartmental advisory body. The agenda for the meeting, which was conducted in the conference hall of the Turkmen National Institute for Democracy and Human Rights under President of Turkmenistan, focused on the results of the work done in 2009 and the tasks for the current year. The participants represented the Mejlis, the national ministries and departments, the public organisations and the media agencies.

It was noted that during the reporting period the Interagency commission had taken the measures to further strengthen the legal foundations of the Turkmen society and guarantee the realization of the political, economic, social and other rights of citizens. Particular attention was given to the monitoring of the national legislation and the ongoing work to update it in compliance with modern requirements and best international practices.....

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Fostering global humanitarian cooperation

The Turkmen capital hosts the three-day forum of heads of the Central Asian national societies. The meeting is organized by the National Red Crescent Society of Turkmenistan (NRCST) with the assistance of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) in Central Asia.

The forum brought together the representatives of the ICRC Regional Office in Central Asia, the ICRC Regional Delegation (RD), the IFRC Regional Delegation in Central Asia and the heads of the national societies (NS) of five states of the region - Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan in the conference hall of the President Hotel.....

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Concerting efforts in the name of peace and security on the planet

The second consultative meeting on the preparations for the international conference on the disarmament issues in Central Asia and the Caspian Basin was conducted in Ashgabat. The representatives of the foreign ministries and diplomatic missions of Turkmenistan, the Azerbaijan Republic, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Republic of Tajikistan, the Republic of Uzbekistan and the Russian Federation.

This meeting was a new step to implement President Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov's initiative to hold the international forum on the disarmament issues in Central Asia and the Caspian Basin in 2010. As is known, the Turkmen leader put forward this initiative at the 64th session of the United Nations General Assembly last September.....

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Oil refining industry to be modernized further

The programme aimed at implementing Turkmenistan's profound economic potential assigns a special role to Turkmenbashi complex of oil refineries. Having set the task to accelerate the development of the fuel and energy complex, which stands as an engine of the national economy, President Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov specified the increase in oil and gas production and processing into high-quality competitive products as the priorities. This task is being successfully fulfilled today, and the most vivid illustration of the effectiveness of the measures taken in this field is the firstling of the national petrochemical industry.

The technical characteristics of the fuel and petrochemical plants built at Turkmenbashi oil refineries in collaboration with the leading companies from Japan, Germany, the United States, France, Turkey, Iran and Israel have no analogues in the region. In fact, putting these units into operation became a technological revolution in Turkmen petrochemical industry. Petrochemical workers of the littoral region use advanced, resource-saving, environmentally safe technologies to manufacture dozens of kinds of products including untreated gasoline, aviation and technical kerosene, hydrotreated diesel fuel, liquefied gas, petroleum coke, polypropylene and a wide range of diesel and universal oils.

Today, a new large-scale investment project aimed at technology modernization and renovation of the leading petrochemical enterprise of the country has been launched at Turkmenbashi complex of oil refineries. The projects stipulates for the construction of a combined delayed coking unit (DCU) with the deasphalting unit (DU) which allows increasing the capacity of the enterprise and the effectiveness of refining crude oil into high-quality oil products and broaden exports.

The project on turnkey construction of the ultra modern unit amounted to over 200 million euros is implemented by the Turkish company Lotus Energy in accordance with the base project of the international corporation Foster Wheeler (USA) and the detailed drawings developed by the construction firm FW Italian - the Italian branch of the international corporation.....

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The first million ton of liquefied gas in Nayip!

The Nayip gas-processing complex in Zaunguz Karakum has produced a million ton of liquefied gas since it was launched. The first computer-aided processing unit was put into operation by the Italian Company Tehnofriga, and the Termodesign Engineering Limited from Canada built the second and third units of this high-powered gas-processing plant. The design capacity of three computer-aided unites is 112,500 tons of liquefied gas and 72,000 tons of gas condensate per year. The high-tech facilities are supplied with state-of-the-art equipment and software system delivered from the United States, Canada and Germany.

The quality of Nayip liquefied gas, which is in steady demand in the world market, meets the international quality standards. Today, in the epoch of new Revival, the brand of the Nayip complex is known widely in many countries in Europe and Asia. Nearly all liquefied gas produced by its units is exported to international markets.....

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EXCHANGE NEWS

49 transactions were concluded at the State Commodity and Raw Materials Exchange of Turkmenistan last week.

The transactions in the foreign currency were concluded for various products. The buyers from the United Arab Emirates, Britain and Switzerland concluded the transactions for low-sulphur reduced fuel oil, aviation kerosene, kerosene technical and lighting kerosene produced at Turkmenbashi oil refineries. Liquefied gas from the Nayip terminal was bought by the businessmen from Afghanistan and the UAE. The businessmen from the UAE bought iodine grade A, from Iran - sodium sulphate of different brands and from Russia - carbon black. The transactions in the foreign currency was concluded for ginned cotton, cotton yarn and cotton wool, confectionery and knitted goods in a wide range, karakul wool and raw silk. The buyer countries: Singapore, Switzerland, Turkey, Russia, UAE, Virgin Islands, Kazakhstan, Vietnam, United Kingdom, the Marshall Islands. The transactions totalled over US\$ 79.010 million.

The businessmen from the Virgin Islands, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkey, India, Belize, Mauritius, UAE, Azerbaijan, Switzerland, Iran, Pakistan and Great Britain bought cattle skin, raw silk, refined cottonseed oil, cotton flake, washed goat wool for deposit manats. The transactions totalled was 16.947 million manats.

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Picture of the Week

