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OF PAKISTAN - TÜRKIYE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
COMMEMORATIVE POSTAGE STAMP**

September 13th, 2023

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The year 2022 has a special significance for Pakistan, as we celebrate the 75th anniversary of the country's independence. It is also a special occasion in our diplomatic history, as we commemorate the 75 years of establishment of diplomatic relations between Pakistan and Türkiye.

The diplomatic relations between the two countries were established soon after creation of Pakistan in 1947. Mr. Yahya Kemal Beyatli, the first Turkish Ambassador to Pakistan, presented his credentials to Quaid-e-Azam Muḥammad Ali Jinnah on 4 March 1948 and Mian Bashir Ahmed, Pakistan's first Ambassador to Türkiye, presented his credentials to President Ismet Inonu in June 1949.

The fraternal relations between the two peoples go back centuries and are embedded in a common religious, cultural, linguistic, and spiritual heritage.

The legendary support provided by the South Asian Muslims to their brothers and sisters in Türkiye during its War of Independence in the early 20th Century remains immortalized in the collective memory of all Turks. Muslims of South Asia defied their colonial rulers and came out in defense of Türkiye at one of the most critical junctures of its modern history - leaving behind their homes and donating all their belongings for the Turkish cause. Pakistan's national poet, Allama Muhammad Iqbal captured in his poetry the revolutionary spirit of resistance that led to the renaissance of the Turkish nation during its War of Independence.

In fact, the diplomatic relations between Pakistan and Türkiye are the extension of the same historical spirit - often articulated in motifs like "heart-to-heart relations" and "two countries, one nation" by leadership on both sides. Both countries come to each other's support on every occasion and platforms. Pakistan and Türkiye stand with each other in pursuit of a peace, prosperity and development and against all challenges.

In recent years, in particular after the establishment of High-Level Strategic Cooperation Council (HLSCC), bilateral relations have now been transformed into strategic cooperation. This highest bilateral mechanism between two countries at the leadership level has been instrumental in forging ever-greater ties in all sectors including trade, investment, banking, health, education, agriculture, defense, science and technology and tourism.

The milestone of 75th year of diplomatic relations provides us an opportunity not only to reinforce our unwavering ties but also transmit the tradition of unmatched fraternity and solidarity between the two nations to our future generations.

To commemorate the 75th year of diplomatic relations in a befitting manner, both countries have planned a range of events. As part of these activities; Pakistan Post is issuing a Commemorative Postage Stamp to mark this historical milestone. The Commemorative Stamp bears joint logo for celebrating the year 2022 as the 75th year of establishment of diplomatic relations between Pakistan and Türkiye.

On 75 Years of Establishment of Pakistan - Türkiye Diplomatic Relations, Pakistan Post is issuing the Commemorative Postage Stamp of Rs.20/- denomination on September 13th, 2023.

TERMS OF SALE

This Commemorative Postage Stamp will be available for sale from September 13th, 2023 at all important Post Offices in the country.

Overseas orders for Stamps, First Day of Issue Covers and Leaflets should be addressed to the Manager, Philatelic Bureau, Karachi GPO or Manager, National Philatelic Bureau, Islamabad GPO, accompanied by a Bank Draft or Crossed Cheque encashable in Pakistan.

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