

## Uzbekistan, Tajikistan Leaders hold a phone call



On October 5, President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev had a telephone conversation with the President of the Republic of Tajikistan Emomali Rahmon.

The President of Uzbekistan cordially congratulated the Leader of Tajikistan on his birthday, wishing him good health, prosperity and new success, peace and prosperity to the brotherly Tajikistan people.

The achievements of modern Tajikistan in state-building and socio-economic development, the progressively growing prestige of the country in the international arena were emphasized.

The fruitful results of the chairmanship of the Tajik side in the Shanghai Cooperation Organization this year and the successful holding of the anniversary summit of this multilateral structure in Dushanbe last month were highly appreciated.

The presidents noted with deep satisfaction the strengthening friendship, good-neighborliness and strategic partnership between Uzbekistan and Tajikistan.

Thanks to political will and joint efforts, the multifaceted cooperation between our countries has reached a qualitatively new level and is filled with concrete content.

Intensive contacts and exchanges continue, the volumes of mutual trade are steadily growing, important cooperation projects are being implemented in mechanical engineering, energy, electrical engineering, mining, agriculture and other spheres.

The partnership is enhancing at the regional and business levels.

Cultural and humanitarian ties have intensified. Last week, the Tajik Cinema Days were held within the framework of Tashkent Film Festival. The preparation of cooperation projects in arts, health and education continues.

The leaders noted the importance of full-scale implementation of the agreements adopted, instructed to continue close interaction and coordination within the framework of the activities of the joint intergovernmental commission.

During the conversation, views were exchanged on the current international and regional agenda,

including the emerging situation in neighboring Afghanistan.

The schedule of meetings and events at the highest level was also considered.

The telephone conversation of the Presidents of our countries took place in a traditionally warm, friendly and businesslike atmosphere.

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