

27.10.2010 17:27

State News Agency of Turkmenistan (TDH)

President of Turkmenistan receives Executive Director of Turkmenistan-US Business Council

President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov received Eric Stewart, Executive Director of the Turkmenistan-US Business Council in his residence in Serdar.

Thanking for the opportunity of a personal meeting, the guest heartily congratulated the Turkmen leader and the people of Turkmenistan on the national holiday, the 19th anniversary of independence and noted that he was very glad to visit Ashgabat and take part in the festivities in honour of this remarkable date that embodied the country's accomplishments on the path of progressive development. The businessmen expressed the cordial congratulations to the President of Turkmenistan on being presented the honorary awards that evidenced the high evaluation of the Turkmen leader's versatile activity by the international community.



Mr. Eric Stewart said that US companies which showed keen interest in cooperation with Turkmenistan, which had earned the reputation of an exceptionally dependable business partner, increased in number and focused on the encouraging role of the meetings between the Turkmen leader and representatives of the US business community. Some of these meetings, which turned into a thorough discussion of the prospects for Turkmenistan-US cooperation, took place last September during the visit of the President of Turkmenistan to New York, where he participated in the 65th session of the UN General Assembly.

Greeting the guest and thanking him for the congratulations and cordial wishes, the Turkmen leader said that these meetings in New York had encouraged and filled bilateral partnership with a new content. The Turkmen leader emphasized that promotion of mutually advantageous cooperation with leading foreign companies was a key vector of Turkmenistan's strategy for social and economic development aimed at modernisation of all sectors of the national economy through adopting advanced technologies, know how and best international practices. In this regard President Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov said that a number of US companies had been effectively operating for many years in Turkmenistan, which stood ready to establish fruitful business contacts with other potential partners from the United States.

An exchange of views on the possibilities for intensifying Turkmenistan-US cooperation in various fields to meet modern realities and mutual long-range interests took place during the meeting. In this context emphasis was put on the significant role of the Turkmenistan-US Business Council, which had held a number of meetings and business forums, as an essential component of trade and economic partnership between the two countries.

Mr. Eric Stewart emphasized that present-day Turkmenistan demonstrated the rapid economic growth that laid the most favorable groundwork for effective collaboration in mutual interests.

In conclusion the President of Turkmenistan and his guest expressed belief that Turkmenistan-US cooperation would be actively developed further and continued in practice in new joint projects.