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ISLAMABAD, 28 March 2025 – Mr. Avazbek Atakhanov, Ambassador of the Kyrgyz Republic to the Íslamic Republic of Pakistan, paid a courtesy call on the Ambassador-Designate, Dr. Emmanuel R. Fernandez, last 28 March 2025.

Ambassador Atakhanov highlighted the importance of promptly arranging the meeting and used the opportunity to discuss the potential for enhancing diplomatic engagement and cooperation between the Philippines and Kyrgyzstan. The conversation touched on a range of issues, including the Philippines' trade relations with Pakistan, Kyrgyzstan's economic ties with Kazakhstan—particularly in uranium production and critical minerals—and the strategic importance of Central Asia.

In addition, the discussion addressed the status of bilateral relations between the Philippines and Kyrgyzstan. Ambassador-Designate Fernandez noted that the jurisdiction over Philippines-Kyrgyzstan bilateral relations has been formally transferred to the Philippine Embassy in Tehran, although consular matters remain under the jurisdiction of the Philippine Embassy in Islamabad.

The meeting also covered the ongoing campaign for a Non-Permanent Seat on the United Nations Security Council. Both the Kyrgyz Republic and the Philippines are vying for the seat. In keeping with the Department's diplomatic principles, Ambassador-Designate Fernandez reaffirmed that the Philippines maintains mutual respect and goodwill toward all contenders.

The meeting concluded with an emphasis on the strategic significance of ASEAN, with both parties underscoring the importance of international cooperation and the rule of law in maintaining global stability and order. Both sides expressed their commitment to continuing dialogue on these important matters in the future. END





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Ambassador-designate, H.E. Dr. Emmanuel R. Fernandez (left) and Ambassador, H.E. Mr. Avazbek Atakhanov (right), taken during the latter's courtesy call on Ambassador-designate Fernandez at the Chancery

