

**PRESIDENT'S SECRETARIAT (PUBLIC)
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ISLAMABAD: OCTOBER 22, 2018; President Dr. Arif Alvi has said that Pakistan highly values its close brotherly relations with Azerbaijan and is desirous of further enhancing these relations in all fields.

The President said this while talking to Chief of State Border Service of the Republic of Azerbaijan Colonel General Elchin Guliyev who called on him at the Aiwan-e-Sadr, Islamabad on Monday.

The President highlighted that the two countries have common position on key global and regional issues and they support each other at international forums which is a reflection of close and brotherly relations between the both countries. He expressed satisfaction that defence cooperation between the two countries has been strengthening steadily. He added that there is a need to further strengthen this cooperation by exploring the possibilities of joint ventures.

The President further stated that present state of our bilateral economic cooperation is not commensurate with its true potential, thus there is a need to enhance the volume of bilateral trade.
