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Boufedeché receives ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly Secretary General



The Speaker of the People's National Assembly (lower house of Parliament), Khalida Boufedeché, received Monday, in Algiers, the Secretary General of ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA), Chem Widhya, who is on a working visit to Algeria.

This visit is part of efforts to “strengthen parliamentary relations between Algeria and the Inter-Parliamentary Assembly of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (AIPA), following the APN's accession as an observer parliament.”

During the meeting, Ms. Boufedeché praised “the role played by AIPA in promoting parliamentary dialogue and cooperation and in advancing issues of common interest, particularly peace and security, sustainable development, the role of youth and women, and economic and parliamentary cooperation.”



She reiterated that Algeria's foreign policy "is based on firmly established principles, foremost among which are respect for the sovereignty and independence of states, non-interference in their internal affairs, respect for borders, and the right of peoples to self-determination," emphasizing that these principles make it possible, through parliamentary diplomacy, to "contribute to efforts to consolidate peace and stability" and to "strengthen dialogue between peoples and parliaments."

For his part, the Secretary General of AIPA praised "Algeria's role in promoting peace, security, and international cooperation," welcoming "the APN's accession as an observer parliament," while emphasizing "the importance of developing this cooperation through Algeria's participation in AIPA's various activities, and of intensifying consultation and the exchange of expertise between the two parties."

The two sides also discussed several issues of mutual interest, including "regional and international peace and security, maritime security, climate change, drought and desertification, economic development, the digital economy, artificial intelligence, challenges related to the growing use of new technologies, and strengthening parliamentary cooperation to address these challenges."

The meeting also focused on the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia (TAC), as an important framework based on the principles of respect for sovereignty, non-interference, peaceful settlement of disputes, and the promotion of cooperation among states. Algeria's accession to this Treaty in 2025 demonstrates its interest in strengthening its presence and cooperation with the countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).

The two sides also emphasized "the importance of expanding the APN's participation in AIPA activities and strengthening mechanisms for coordination and dialogue," while exploring "the possibility of establishing frameworks for institutional cooperation encompassing the exchange of expertise, the organization of training programs, and cooperation between observer parliaments and the AIPA Secretariat."

At the conclusion of the meeting, both parties expressed their "willingness to continue joint efforts to promote relations between the APN and AIPA, with a view to strengthening parliamentary diplomacy and opening up broader prospects for cooperation between Algeria and the countries of Southeast Asia, in the service of peace, stability, development, and cooperation among peoples."

The meeting took place in the presence of APN Vice President Monder Bouden and the Assembly's Secretary General, Salim Djalal.

Attaf partakes in consultative meeting of Arab FM's in New York

The Minister of State, Minister of Foreign Affairs, National Community Abroad, and African Affairs, Mr. Ahmed Attaf, participated, Tuesday in New York, in the consultative meeting of Arab foreign ministers, during which he emphasized the need to revitalize joint Arab action in an international context marked by the selective application of international law and in which countries in the region are paying the price for the lack of political solutions.



This meeting took place on the sidelines of the Minister of State's participation in the high-level week of the 81st session of the United Nations General Assembly.

On this occasion, Mr. Attaf emphasized the importance of working to ensure that the Palestinian issue is restored to the top of the international agenda, of not reducing it to its humanitarian dimension, and of countering measures aimed at undermining the possibility of establishing a Palestinian state in accordance with international law.

"Algeria refuses to allow the Arab region to become a theater of proxy wars, particularly in light of the ongoing escalation in the Arabian Gulf," Mr. Attaf stated, emphasizing "the urgency of addressing the crises rocking Sudan, Yemen, Somalia, and Libya, to preserve their unity, to support national political solutions, and to reject external interference in their affairs."

“Our region does not need new promises, but concrete measures and a focus on addressing the root causes of the crises shaking it,” the Minister of State emphasized.

With this in mind, Algeria hopes that the Arab presence at the 81st session of the United Nations General Assembly will be “a united, active, and proactive presence—one that defends our rights and upholds international law while opening the door to dialogue and political solutions,” Mr. Attaf insisted.

81st UNGA Session

Attaf meets with several African, European counterparts



Ahmed Attaf, Minister of State and Minister of Foreign Affairs, the National Community Abroad, and African Affairs, met on Tuesday with a number of his African and European counterparts on the sidelines of his participation in the high-level week of the 81st session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).

The discussions between Mr. Attaf and his Tunisian counterpart, Mohamed Ali Nafti, focused on the state of the special fraternal relations between Algeria and Tunisia and ways to strengthen them and expand their scope, in accordance with the guidance of the leaders of the two brotherly countries.

In this context, both sides reaffirmed their determination to continue the process of strengthening relations of cooperation and solidarity between Algeria and Tunisia and to intensify efforts aimed at implementing various bilateral cooperation programs and projects that reflect the depth and strength of the historical ties uniting the two countries.



The two sides also exchanged views on major current issues at the regional and international levels, particularly developments in Libya and the Arab region, emphasizing the importance of continuing coordination and consultation on various issues and matters of common interest.

The Minister of State also met with his counterpart from the Republic of Mozambique, Maria Manuela dos Santos Lucas, with whom he reviewed the state of bilateral relations and prospects for strengthening them, particularly through reciprocal visits and the development of cooperation in several areas, welcoming the “positive momentum” characterizing relations between the two countries.

On this occasion, Mr. Attaf reaffirmed Algeria’s commitment to revitalizing relations with Mozambique, notably through the implementation of a series of projects commensurate with the depth of the ties of cooperation and solidarity uniting the two brotherly countries, and the launch of a direct Algiers-Maputo flight route.

For her part, Ms. dos Santos Lucas emphasized the importance her country attaches to its relations with Algeria and to the implementation of the conclusions of the visit made by the former President of the Republic of Mozambique to Algeria in 2024, praising the “notable progress achieved through cooperation between the two countries in several areas, notably energy, industry, the pharmaceutical industry, and the fight against terrorism.”

The Minister of State also met with his Cameroonian counterpart, Lejeune Mbella Mbella, with whom he discussed the various areas of bilateral cooperation and ways to give new impetus to relations between the two countries and strengthen them in various fields of common interest, particularly in light of the ongoing preparations for the Algerian-Cameroonian Joint Commission.

The two sides agreed to hold this important bilateral meeting as soon as possible, in order to enable officials and economic actors from both countries to identify priority sectors—including health, transportation, agriculture, artificial intelligence, trade, and capacity building—and to advance cooperation and partnership projects that serve the interests of both countries and their brotherly peoples.

Mr. Attaf also met with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Tom Berendsen, with whom he reviewed the state of bilateral relations and the prospects for strengthening and expanding them to the areas of energy, security, and migration, as well as the ongoing preparations for the Dutch minister's visit to Algeria.

During the meeting, the two ministers exchanged views on security and political developments in the Sahel, emphasizing the importance of adopting a comprehensive approach that takes into account the imperatives of development, security, and stability, while respecting the sovereignty of the region's states.

On the same occasion, the two sides discussed cooperation between Algeria and the European Union (EU). In this regard, Mr. Attaf emphasized the "need to establish a balanced economic partnership that serves the interests of both parties."

The Minister of State also held talks with the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Hungary, Anita Orban, with discussions focusing on the current state and future prospects of bilateral cooperation, as well as preparations for the Hungarian foreign minister's upcoming visit to Algeria, which is expected to help "identify new opportunities for partnership and investment," particularly in the fields of education, the exchange of academic expertise, renewable energy, and culture.

Regarding relations between Algeria and the EU and the process of implementing the Association Agreement, Mr. Attaf raised "concerns regarding the barriers hindering Algerian exports to European Union markets," emphasizing the need to "address them through the mechanisms provided for in the Association Agreement, so as to ensure a balance of interests between the two parties."

For her part, Ms. Orban expressed her country's interest in strengthening economic ties with Algeria, and in turn invited Mr. Attaf to pay a working visit to Hungary to continue coordinating efforts to strengthen bilateral cooperation and to consult on various regional and international issues of mutual interest.

Arkab holds talks with Niger's President in Niamey



The Minister of State and Minister of Hydrocarbons, Mohamed Arkab, was received in Niamey on Tuesday by the President of the Republic of Niger, General Abdourahamane Tiani. The meeting took place as part of a working visit to Niger undertaken at the request of President Abdelmadjid Tebboune.

Magramane, Belgian counterpart co-chair 6th session of political consultations



The Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, National Community Abroad, and African Affairs, Mr. Lounès Magramane, co-chaired the sixth session of the Algerian-Belgian Political Consultations, Tuesday, September 22, in the Belgian capital, Brussels, alongside his Belgian counterpart, the Secretary-General of

the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Affairs, and Development Cooperation, Ms. Theodora Gentzis.

The session provided an opportunity to review the state of Algerian-Belgian relations in all their dimensions and areas of focus, as well as to explore ways to ensure the implementation of the outcomes of the visit by the Minister of State, Minister of Foreign Affairs, National Community Abroad, and African Affairs, Mr. Ahmed Attaf, to Brussels on March 31 and April 1, 2026, in line with the positive momentum that bilateral relations have recently witnessed and the abundant potential available in both countries.

In this context, both sides emphasized the need to strengthen economic, investment, trade, and technical cooperation between the two countries to meet their shared aspirations, particularly in the fields of energy, agriculture, the pharmaceutical industry, transportation, port services, health, social security, education, and training. They also underscored the importance of boosting trade and encouraging productive investments as a means of consolidating the existing economic partnership.



These consultations also provided an opportunity to exchange views and analyses on numerous regional and international issues of mutual interest, particularly developments in the Middle East—most notably the Palestinian issue and the Sahel region—as well as Western Sahara.

Boudjemaa confirms enforcement of death penalty against drug traffickers



The Minister of Justice, Lotfi Boudjemaa, affirmed on Tuesday in Oran that the death penalty will be enforced against drug traffickers as part of intensified efforts to combat organized crime and confront the growing threat of narcotics, particularly hard drugs.

The IMF Praises the Strength of the Algerian Economy and Its Diversification Efforts



The International Monetary Fund (IMF) praised the strength of the Algerian economy—driven in particular by sustained growth in 2025—as well as the authorities’ efforts toward diversification, while highlighting a favorable short-term outlook.

In its assessment following the 2026 Article IV consultations with Algeria, which concluded on September 11, the IMF noted robust economic growth in 2025, estimated at 3.9%—up from 3.7% in 2024—supported by a strategy focused on public investment.

The non-hydrocarbon economy, for its part, grew by 4.3% in 2025 and is projected to grow by 4% in 2026, confirming “the continued diversification of economic activity,” the IMF noted.

“The short-term outlook remains generally favorable,” the IMF emphasized, forecasting 3.8% growth in 2026, which “is expected to remain robust.”

The institution also added that rising hydrocarbon prices are expected to boost exports and budget revenues, “allowing the country to rebuild its fiscal space.”

Exports are also expected to increase, rising from 15.8% of GDP in 2025 to 19.3% in 2026, according to IMF projections for the 2023–2031 period.

Imports will, moreover, decline from 21.9% of GDP in 2025 to 18.5% in 2026.

The budget deficit narrowed in 2025, “thanks to one-time high dividend payments from state-owned enterprises and the Bank of Algeria,” the Bretton Woods institution noted in its report.

Algeria’s efforts to strengthen financial stability and inclusion were also commended by the IMF, which noted that banks remain liquid, profitable, and well-capitalized. It also noted that measures aimed at strengthening financial supervision, crisis and liquidity management mechanisms, and improving the governance of state-owned banks are important.

In this vein, the IMF commended the government for Algeria’s swift removal from the FATF’s list of jurisdictions subject to enhanced monitoring.

Algeria Makes Its Debut at the WorldSkills Competition in Shanghai, China

Algeria participated for the first time in the WorldSkills Competition (World Skills Olympics), whose 48th edition opened on Tuesday, in Shanghai, China, in the presence of the Minister of Vocational Training and Education, Ms. Nassima Arhab.



Algeria is participating for the first time in this global event—which will continue through next Monday—with two young competitors: Akram Hazir in the automotive technology category and Yasser Hawas in the mobile applications category.

This participation represents “an important opportunity to learn about the latest technologies and internationally recognized standards in the field of vocational skills,” as well as a chance for Algerian youth to interact with their peers from various countries to exchange expertise and experiences across a range of vocational and technological fields.

On the sidelines of this event, the minister will hold meetings with a number of officials and representatives of international organizations and institutions, focusing on “exploring ways to strengthen cooperation and exchange expertise in the areas of skills development and vocational training, as well as learning about relevant international experiences and practices.”

It should be noted that Algeria’s participation in this edition is part of the vocational training and education sector’s efforts aimed at opening up to international experiences and developing specializations in line with the needs of the labor market, particularly in fields related to modern technologies and professions linked to digital transformation.