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## D-8 ORGANIZATION FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION

## THE SECRETARY-GENERAL PAID A COURTESY VISIT TO THE HONOURABLE FOREIGN MINISTER OF THE REPUBLIC OF TÜRKIYE

His Excellency Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu, the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Türkiye, received His Excellency Ambassador Isiaka Abdulqadir Imam, the D-8 Secretary-General and his delegation, in his office at the Ministry on 18 January 2022.

The Honourable Minister warmly welcomed Ambassador Isiaka A. Imam in his new capacity as the D-8 Secretary-General. The two interlocutors held very fruitful discussions in a friendly environment.

The Honourable Minister wished success to the Secretary-General in his new assignment and emphasized the high importance Türkiye attaches to the D-8 Organization. He assured of Türkiye's continued support and assistance to the organization and also emphasized the need to expand the membership of the D-8 to reach the desired objectives of the Organization.

On his part, the Secretary-General expressed his gratitude to the Honourable Minister for the support and assistance of the Government of Türkiye to the D-8 Organization. He expressed his happiness to be in Türkiye, following his appointment as the Secretary-General of the D-8 Organization. He briefed the Honourable Minister of his plans for the organization, during his tenure.



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The meeting ended with the exchange of gifts and photo-session.

Earlier, the Secretary-General met His Excellency Faruk Kaymakçı, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Turkiye and Her Excellency Ambassador Esen Altuğ, D-8 Commissioner of Turkiye.

Ambassador Isiaka Abdulqadir Imam assumed the position of the Secretary-General of the D-8 Organization for Economic Cooperation on 01 January 2022. He is the fifth Secretary-General of the D-8.

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