

UK-Morocco talks on cooperation

The first UK-Morocco strategic dialogue was held last week aimed at strengthening cooperation between both countries across politics, economics, security and culture. Trade and investment was high on the agenda.



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(Now former) UK Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson and the Minister of State for the Middle East Alistair Burt hosted the talks.

Johnson said: “The UK and Morocco have an illustrious 800-year old history of exchanges and friendship, so establishing this annual forum, alternating between the UK and Morocco, is a welcome and natural step. With many areas of interest, we agreed to focus our discussion on four themes: Political-Diplomatic, Security, Economic and Cultural.

“We exchanged letters on how the Dialogue might work over the years to come and discussed how a working group could maintain contact and momentum. We also discussed transport and tourist security, regional politics, trade and investment.”

Johnston specifically mentioned the education agreement that will allow British schools to open in Morocco, giving Moroccans the opportunity to study the UK curriculum, and provide British schools with a dynamic and growing new market.

The next ‘dialogue’ will take place in Rabat, Morocco.

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