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Her Excellency,
Ms. Sahiba Gafarova,
Speaker of Milli Mejlis (National Assembly)
Republic of Azerbaijan

Excellency,

On the occasion of the National Day of the Republic of Azerbaijan celebrated on May 28 every year, I would like to convey my sincere congratulations and warmest wishes to your Excellency, your colleagues in the National Assembly, the government and to the people of your country.

As you are well aware, in the current situation when the international order is being grossly violated and that the international peace, stability and security have been severely undermined, we are witness to the widespread commendable effort being made by parliaments and parliamentary organizations to bring parliamentary dimensions of cooperation to global governance.

This is also the seminal role that APA, as a regional parliamentary organization, has undertaken to pursue under its Charter in order to foster peace and cooperation and to further support development of parliamentary diplomacy.

Having said that, I would like to highlight the parliamentary approaches initiated by the National Assembly of the Republic of Azerbaijan under your leadership during the recent years. Vital role of your Parliament recently taking the lead in establishing NAM PN on one hand and on the other trying to have active involvement in the APA programs as Vice-President and most recently announcing your candidacy for the position of APA Presidency are all welcome initiatives leading to promotion and further strengthening of Asian Cooperation through parliamentary diplomacy.

Allow me once again to congratulate you on the occasion of this festive occasion wishing you good health and wellbeing and continued progress and prosperity for the people of your country.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Best Regards
Mohammad Reza Majidi