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(March 23, 2025)

To celebrate Pakistan Day, the Consulate General of Pakistan in Chicago hosted a reception attended by over 300 guests. CG Tariq Karim, US Congressman Jonathan Jackson & other officials addressed the audience & cut the cake to mark the occasion.



(May 2, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim met with U.S. Congresswoman Delia Ramirez at the Consulate General of Pakistan in Chicago. They discussed ways to enhance the Pakistan-U.S. partnership and the role of the Pakistani-American community. He also briefed the Rep. on the regional situation in South Asia.



(June 3, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim engaged with Mayor Brandon Johnson of Chicago & other dignitaries at the 2025 International Reception organized by the City of Chicago in collaboration with WBC & CSCI



(March 18, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim met with IL Secretary of State Mr. Alexi Giannoulias, along with other elected officials and community leaders, at an Iftar event hosted by the Secretary of State in Chicago.



(January 13, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim met with Indiana Secretary of State, Diego Morales in Indianapolis. They discussed ways to strengthen partnership between Pakistan and Indiana.



(May 6, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim met with Chicago Mayor Brandon Johnson during an Asian American Heritage Month event. Among other things, the CG informed the Mayor of the grave regional situation arising from India's unprovoked & unlawful act of aggression against Pakistan.



(January 13, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim met with Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita in Indianapolis and discussed ways to strengthen partnership between Pakistan and Indiana



(May 16, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim met with IL Senator Laura Murphy & other elected officials at a dinner reception. During his interactions, he briefed her on regional situation among other topics.



(March 30, 2025)
CG Tariq Karim hosted a grand Eid Open House at his residence, welcoming over 400 guests to celebrate Eid-ul-Fitr. The event brought together members of the Pakistani-American community, elected officials, federal and state officials, & CGs. U.S. Rep. Jonathan Jackson also attended. Guests enjoyed Pakistani cuisine and culture.



(May 7, 2025)
CG Tariq Karim attended the swearing-in ceremony of Mr. Greg Hart as the new President/Mayor of Hinsdale. He extended his congratulations to Mayor Hart on assuming office.



(February 28, 2025)
CG Tariq Karim met with IL Comptroller Susana Mendoza and discussed issues of mutual interest, including ways to strengthen Pakistan's partnership with Illinois.



(April 29, 2025)
CG Tariq Karim hosted Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar, Chair of Pakistan's National Assembly Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs; U.S. Congressman Jonathan Jackson; and former Bolingbrook Mayor Roger C. Claar at a dinner. They discussed promoting parliamentary exchanges and strengthening people-to-people ties, among other things.



(January 13, 2025)
CG Tariq Karim attended the inauguration ceremony of Governor Mike Braun of Indiana in Indianapolis, where he also met with key elected officials from the state.



(February 5, 2025)

The Consulate General hosted a seminar to observe the Kashmir Solidarity Day. A large number of people including community leaders, Kashmiri activists, and civil society representatives attended the event. An eminent panel of speakers participated in the seminar. A 3-day photographic exhibition was also held at the Consulate, showcasing photographs that highlighted various dimensions of the J&K dispute and the deteriorating humanitarian situation in IIOJK.





(May 16, 2025)

The Consulate General organized an event to observe Youm-e-Tashakur (Day of Gratitude), honoring the Armed Forces and the people of Pakistan for their victory in 'Operation Bunanu-um-Marsoos' and 'Marka-e-Haq'. Members of the Pakistani-American community attended the gathering.

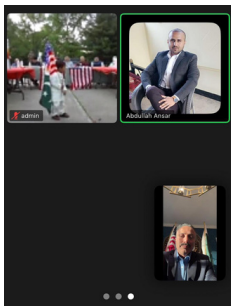


The Pakistan flag was paraded at Devon Avenue/Muhammad Ali Jinnah Way to celebrate Pakistan's victory against Indian aggression and express strong solidarity with the valiant Pakistan Armed Forces.



(May 15, 2025)

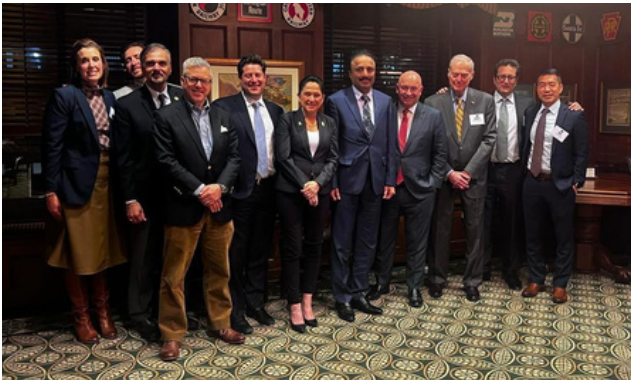
A large number of Pakistani-Americans gathered at Chicago's Devon Avenue to observe Youm-e-Tashakur. CG Tariq Karim and other speakers paid rich tribute to the valiant Pakistan Armed Forces for their victory in Operation Bunanu-um-Marsoos. Shuhada were honored.



(May 19, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim addressed via Zoom two separate Youm-e-Tashakur events organized by the Pakistani-American community in Columbus, OH & Farmington Hills, MI, paying rich tribute to the Pakistan Armed Forces for their victory in 'Operation Bunanu-um-Marsoos' & 'Marka-e-Haq' against unprovoked aggression.





(March 12, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim hosted a Leadership Discussion & Dinner organized by the Economic Club of Chicago (ECC), leading a group of prominent business leaders and ECC members. He highlighted Pakistan's importance as a business, trade & tourism destination, as well as its long-standing partnership with the U.S.



(February 27, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim met with Mr. Doug McMillon, President & CEO of Walmart, at an event hosted by the Economic Club of Chicago. During their conversation, the CG emphasized the growing importance of trade relations between Pakistan & Walmart.



(April 11, 2025)

The Pakistani American Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce (PACCC) was launched in Chicago, with CG Tariq Karim joining business leaders, community members & officials. The CG termed it a significant milestone & urged PACCC to play an active role in promoting entrepreneurship & enhancing Pakistan-US economic ties.



(June 12, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim highlighted Pakistan's investment & tech potential at a Fireside Chat hosted by OPEN-Chicago, featuring Mr. Fakhr-e-Alam. The CG encouraged entrepreneurs to seize emerging opportunities in Pakistan & praised OPEN's role in promoting Pakistan-US economic ties.



(May 26, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended an event organized by the Pakistani-descent Physicians Society (PPS) in Warrenville, IL. He praised PPS's contributions in US & Pakistan and underscored the vital role of Pakistan-origin professionals in fostering bilateral cooperation through expertise & innovation.

(June 23, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended a Pakistani American Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce (PACCC) event on Chicago's Devon Avenue, highlighting the Chamber's role in promoting entrepreneurship and supporting Pakistan-US growing economic & trade partnerships through business engagements & investments.





(June 3, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim highlighted Economic Diplomacy & Pakistan's Investment Potential at Business Event in Chicago which was also joined by Mr. Shahid Iqbal Qureshi, Chairman of the Pakistan Gems & Jewelry Development Company (PGJDC). Elected officials & business leaders also attended.



(June 14, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended the IBA Karachi Alumni event in IL as Chief Guest. He highlighted the vital role of alumni in promoting entrepreneurship & encouraged collaboration & exchange between IBA & U.S. business institutions.



(February 5, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended the inaugural event of Habib University in Chicago, uniting professionals & the Pakistani- American community. He praised the university's commitment to liberal arts & sciences & emphasized the potential for academic collaboration between Pakistan and US Midwest.



(February 15, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim met with students from various Ohio Universities. Discussion focused on several key areas, including Pakistan-US relations, vibrant role of the Pakistani Diaspora, & priorities of the Consulate. The CG highlighted the importance of academic collaboration and urged students to prioritize their studies.



(May 23, 2025)

A group of Pakistani Students from UChicago's Harris School of Public Policy visited the Consulate General of Pakistan in Chicago for an interactive session with CG Tariq Karim. He welcomed them & provided an overview of contemporary diplomatic practice, the regional situation in South Asia, Pakistani-US relations, & other key issues





(February 15, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim visited Cleveland, OH & attended the APPNA-NEO Annual Gala Event. In his remarks, the CG emphasized the significant contributions of the Pakistani-American community & its professionals to the socio-economic development of both Pakistan and the US, highlighting their role as bridge-builders

(March 10, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended an Annual Iftaar event in Skokie, IL and engaged with elected officials and community leaders.



(March 8, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended the Annual Iftar event of the Pakistani-Descent Physicians Society (PPS). The CG encouraged community members & professionals to continue investing in Pakistan through their capacity-building & philanthropic work



(May 17, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended DOGANA's Annual event in IL, commending Dow alumni for their global contributions. He urged diaspora engagement in healthcare, education & research in Pakistan.



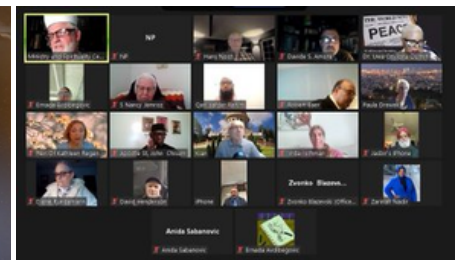
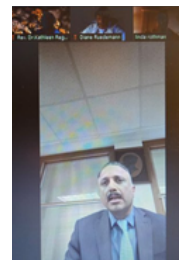
(March 19, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim spoke at the Interfaith Iftar event organized by the Islamic Centre of Wheaton, alongside the Mayor of Wheaton, other elected officials, & leaders from diverse faith communities. In his remarks, the CG emphasized the importance of interfaith dialogue.



(March 16, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended the Human Development Foundation (HDF) Annual Iftar event held in IL. In his remarks, the CG praised HDF for its impactful initiatives aimed at improving the welfare of the people of Pakistan, particularly in education, healthcare, & economic development



(April 7, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim delivered a keynote address at an interfaith Zoom meeting organized by the Common World Alliance (CWA) & MASCH as part of their 5th Anniversary Convention. The CG emphasized the vital role of inter-religious & inter-cultural dialogue in fostering peace & harmony and steps taken by Pakistan in this regard.



(February 23, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended an event organized by the Empowering Women NFP in Schiller Park, IL. During his interactions, he commended the organization's efforts to empower women in the Chicagoland region. He also highlighted Pakistan's initiatives to promote women's empowerment



(May 17, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended the Festival of Cultures event in Skokie, IL, where he met with Skokie Mayor Anne Tennes & members of the community. During his interactions, he briefed on the regional situation in South Asia, among other topics.



(February 22, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended the Lunar New Year Celebration hosted by the Asian American Coalition of Chicago (AACC), where he engaged with community leaders & elected officials present at the event.



(February 14, 2025)

Renowned Pakistani performer Nighat Chaudhary visited the Consulate General. During the interaction, the CG emphasized the importance of celebrating & promoting the rich tapestry of Pakistani arts, culture & music.



(June 4, 2025)

Asad Memon & Saima Asad, founders of Food Fusion, visited the Consulate General of Pakistan in Chicago and met with CG Tariq Karim. They shared their journey promoting Pakistani cuisine worldwide. The CG praised their efforts in showcasing Pakistan's rich culinary heritage & culture



(March 6, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim met the Consul General of Romania in Chicago, Mr. Lucian Ilie Stănică, at the Consulate General. They discussed issues of mutual interest, including enhancing Pakistan-Romania relations.



(May 11, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended the Professional Squash Association World Championships in Chicago where he met leading Pakistani players and key officials involved in the global development of squash. The CG also presented a commemorative gift to Noor Zaman, the U23 World Champion.



(June 13, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim met with former captains of the Pakistan National Cricket Team, Mr. Waseem Akram & Mr. Misbah-ul-Haq, at a philanthropic community event in Chicago dedicated to supporting quality healthcare access for deserving children in Pakistan born w/ Congenital Heart Disease (CHD)



(April 5, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended an event in IL to promote Urdu, bringing together poets & literary figures. In his remarks, the CG highlighted the vital role of the Pakistani diaspora in promoting Pakistan's rich cultural heritage.



(February 28, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended the event "Future of Urdu," featuring Aneeq Ahmed, renowned TV Anchor, held in Oak Brook, IL. In his remarks, the CG emphasized the importance of the Urdu language & its rich heritage.



(April 26, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended the 'Bazm-e-Iqbal' event as chief guest, hosted by Urdu Institute. He paid tribute to the great poet, philosopher, & thinker Allama Iqbal, saying his vision of a separate homeland for Muslims of the subcontinent ultimately culminated in the creation of Pakistan.



(June 30, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended a literary event held at Sabeel Centre in IL. The event included the launch of an Urdu poetry book along with a mushaira. In his remarks, the CG praised the Pakistani diaspora for their efforts in promoting Pakistani culture, the Urdu language, & poetry.



(May 17, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended and spoke at the "Bol Kaffara Reloaded" Qawali concert by Pakistani Qawwals Shahbaz Fayyaz in Arlington Heights, IL. He praised the duo for promoting Pakistan's rich heritage and highlighted Qawali's role in cultural exchange.



(June 28, 2025)

CG Tariq Karim attended an Evening with Scholars in Glen Ellyn, IL, bringing together distinguished academics & community members. In his remarks, CG highlighted Pakistan's deep-rooted values of peace, tolerance, & cultural richness & emphasized the importance of interfaith dialogue.