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Education Minister Misir Mardanov expressed his pleasure to welcome the guest at the Ministry. He talked about the importance of expanding the cooperation between Turkic States and deepening a relationship in the education field to bring our people closer.

According to the Minister, relations between Azerbaijan and Turkey have been developed in all directions, including the education field. Currently, there are over 4,000 students from Azerbaijan studying at prestigious universities of Turkey, and more than 3,000 Turkish students studying at universities of Azerbaijan. He praised this fact as a manifestation of fraternal relations between the two countries.

The Minister highly praised the activity of Azerbaijan – Turkish lyceums and University of Qafqaz and raised the issue concerning the preparation of common textbooks to promote the existing cooperation more efficiently. He underlined the necessity to conduct a discussion of the issue between experts of both countries.

Secretary General of the Cooperation Council of Turkic Speaking States Halil Akinci talked about steps taken to improve the relationship between all member states, including in the field of education. The guest stressed the role of education in the development of intellectual potential of each nation and, from this viewpoint, underlined the importance of expanding mutual cooperation in this field.

H. Akinci touched upon the issue concerning the adoption of common alphabet and language of Turkic people, as well as preparation of common textbooks. According to him, it is planning to hold a meeting of education ministries of member states and mutual opinion could be obtained on the relevant issues.

Next, the parties have discussed other issues concerning the effective organization of work to strengthen educational ties between Turkic States.