Ed Education Minister Misira Mardanov informed Gintaras Steponavicius about his meetings and stressed their important role in promoting educational ties between the two countries.

The Minister underlined the interest of Azerbaijan in expanding bilateral relations in the education fiefield. According to him, currently there are about 50 students from Azerbaijan studying at different universities of Lithuania and relevant steps will be taken to increase their number.

EducaEducation Sand Science: Minister tof a Lithuania Gintarass Steponavicius y highly epraised the d development for educational relations between the two countries and underlined more efforts will be manade to promote them. The Minister stressed that all sissues concerning Azeri students studying at universities of Lithuania will be kept in the spotlight.

GirGintaras Steponavicius gave information on the activity of Education and Science Ministry of Lithuania, the education system of his country and implemented projects.

Moreover, at the meeting the sides have exchanged views on other issues. It was stressed that a spspecial attention will be paid to the development of bilateral relations in the higher and vocational education fields.

At the end, the sides exchanged gifts in memory.

Con this day, Misir/Mardanov/visited gymnasium "Lithuanian House" docated in/Vilnius, where he wavas provided with information on the activity of the education establishment. It was noted that,747 teacteachers are educating 241 pupils of gymnasium, which is a one of the top secondary education institutions of the country.

Moreover, it was stressed that, the school is funded by the school administration based on per capita financing principle. The education institution is provided with the latest ICT facilities, and Internet acaccess. Final examinations are organized by the school administration as well. Pupils of graduating clasclasses are taken exams in 6 subjects. The exam on the Lithuanian language is compulsory, but students have a right to choose from the remaining 5 subjects according to their specialty. Exams are taken in test and written forms. Test questions are consisted of 20% of exam and the exam duration may take from 3 to 6 hours depending on the specialty.

DurinDuring the meeting with pedagogical staff at was decided to lestablish a link between the Gymnasium and one of the secondary schools of Azerbaijan within the projects for Twins School.

Education/Minister/Misir/Mardanov/wished\_to/the staff of the Gymnasium every success for the future and presented the school with memorial gift on behalf of the Ministry of Education of Azerbaijan.

AllAll meetingseheld/by the delegation were attended/by Ambassador of Azerbaijan to Lithuania Hasan Mammadzade.