# UK Foreign Secretary holds virtual meeting with Bangladesh Foreign Minister



Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab and Bangladeshi Minister for Foreign Affairs Dr A K Abdul Momen MP held a virtual meeting today (Monday 6 September).

During their meeting they discussed the strong relationship between the UK and Bangladesh. Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab congratulated Bangladesh on its golden jubilee of independence and welcomed the last 50 years of UK-Bangladesh relations

The Foreign Secretary stressed the importance of a coordinated international response on Afghanistan with the aim of safeguarding regional stability.

The Foreign Secretary reiterated the UK's support for the action Bangladesh has taken on climate change in the run up to COP26 and beyond, especially the country's transition away from coal to clean and renewable energy, and pressed for Bangladesh to commit to a 2050 net zero target.

The Foreign Secretary conveyed the UK's appreciation to the Government of Bangladesh for hosting the Rohingya refugees. He reaffirmed the UK's continued support to ensure dignified lives for the refugees in Bangladesh, to enable the Rohingya to return home to Rakhine state, and to maintain pressure on Myanmar.

The Foreign Secretary welcomed the inaugural UK-Bangladesh trade dialogue and discussed further opportunities for strengthening trade between the two countries.

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