

Banjul, Gambia, October 10 (Infosplusgabon) - President Adama Barrow of Gambia on Tuesday stressed the need for his country to work with neighbouring Senegal and become a "model of regional integration" by facilitating free trade across their borders.

Speaking during a meeting with visiting Senegalese Foreign Minister Sidiki Kaba, President Barrow said he and his Senegalese counterpart, President Macky Sall, would continue to consult one another and engage in dialogue over issues.

He expressed gratitude to the Senegalese leader and his people for their contribution in making the change and freedom possible in the New Gambia. He also commended the positive role President Sall continues to play in building confidence and strengthening their cordial relationship.

Mr. Kaba was in Banjul to deliver a special message from President Sall to President Barrow.

The minister also reiterated President Sall's commitment to the spirit of friendliness and good

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neighborliness between The Gambia and Senegal.

The message included a formal introduction of Foreign Minister Kaba to the Gambian leader. Mr Kaba was appointed to the portfolio last month, prior to which he was Senegal's Justice minister.

Mr Kaba and President Barrow discussed a series of bilateral issues to further cement the friendly ties between the two countries.

Presenting a piece of African art to President Barrow, Mr. Kaba said the choice of artwork was a representation of the freedom Mr Barrow brought to the people of The Gambia, and the pride that Africa derived from such achievement.

In March this year, The Gambia and Senegal signed several cooperation agreements to promote trade, fisheries, peace and security for the mutual benefit of their people.

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Gambian Foreign minister Ousainou Darbo, Senegalese Ambassador to The Gambia, Salieu Ndiaye and other senior officials from The Gambia and Senegal attended the meeting.

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