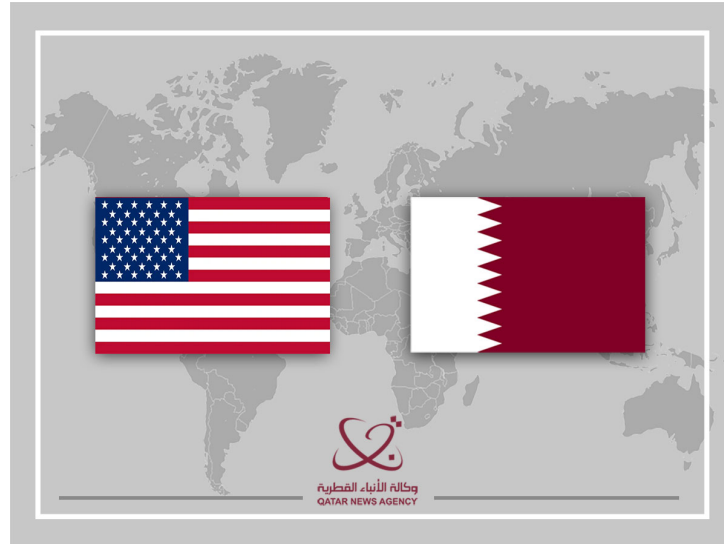

US President's visit promising prospects for Strengthening Qatar-US Partnership



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Doha, May 14 (QNA) – The visit of US President Donald Trump to Qatar marks a pivotal moment in US-Qatar relations, highlighting Qatar's strategic significance as a key US partner in the Gulf. This is Trump's first foreign visit since assuming office and only the second visit by a US president to Qatar since George W. Bush in 2003.

The visit underscores Qatar's role as a trusted mediator in regional diplomacy and reflects the

strong bilateral ties that were further elevated when Washington designated Qatar as a Major Non-NATO Ally in 2022. This status signifies US appreciation for Qatar's partnership and its commitment to deepening cooperation across various sectors.

President Trump's visit is expected to further strengthen US-Qatar cooperation in political, economic, and security domains, reinforcing shared goals of regional stability and global peace.

The annual US-Qatar Strategic Dialogue serves as a platform to explore new avenues of collaboration, addressing key regional issues like the humanitarian crisis in Gaza, regional security, and economic development.

US Ambassador to Qatar, Timmy Davis, praised Qatar's role in mediating the Gaza ceasefire and its broader diplomatic efforts in regional stability. He described Qatar as a model partner for peace and conflict resolution in the Middle East, reflecting its contributions to global security and humanitarian relief efforts.

The two nations' strategic partnership has grown stronger over decades, marked by cooperation in politics, trade, education, and counter-terrorism. Since establishing diplomatic relations in 1972, Qatar and the United States have expanded their collaboration to include significant investments and energy projects, contributing to the stability of global energy supplies.

Qatar's efforts in Afghanistan, including facilitating US-Taliban negotiations and assisting in the

evacuation of American citizens, underscore its role as a trusted partner. US political circles continue to acknowledge Qatar's commitment to peacebuilding and regional stability.

Looking ahead, both nations aspire to enhance their partnership, focusing on mutual economic growth, regional security, and global stability. President Trump's visit signals a commitment to these goals, paving the way for deeper cooperation and stronger diplomatic ties.