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Mr. Salahuddin Rabbani, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Afghanistan, called on Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today afternoon.

The Prime Minister affirmed that India attaches the highest priority to its ties with Afghanistan. The Prime Minister reiterated Indias strong support to Afghanistan in fighting terrorism imposed on that country and its people. He also reiterated Indias full support to the Government and people of Afghanistan, including through humanitarian and development assistance, in their efforts to build a peaceful, united, democratic and prosperous nation.

Foreign Minister Rabbani briefed the Prime Minister on the situation in Afghanistan. Both agreed that the Afghan peace process has to be Afghan-led, Afghan-owned and Afghan-controlled.

Foreign Minister Rabbani is in India for the 2nd meeting of the India-Afghanistan Strategic Partnership Council that he co-chairs with External Affairs Minister of India.

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