

Your Excellency Admiral Naveed Ashraf Chief of the Naval Staff of Pakistan

Dear Adward

I would like to express my sincerest gratitude for the invitation extended to the Portuguese Navy to participate in the AMAN exercise from February 7 to 11, 2025, which we hold in very high esteem.

Maritime security is of the utmost importance to us and must be reinforced at all times, a commitment that actively strengthens the ties of our navies. Regrettably, due to prior arrangements and activities, our participation in the exercise through Portuguese Navy assets will not be possible.

However, it is with great consideration for the Pakistan Navy that we are currently assessing the participation of the Portuguese Navy, whether through my own participation or that of a representative, in the AMAN dialogue, which will be promptly informed in due time.

In this way, with confidence in the Pakistani Navy's dedication towards advancing joint maritime security, I avail myself of this opportunity to wish you the best of luck and success in your endeavors, which will certainly be fruitful.

Lisbon, 04/11/2024

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Henrique Eduardo Passaláqua de Gouveia e Melo

Admiral