

## KOREAN AMBASSADOR VISITS NAEC

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Ambassador to the Republic of Korea, Ambassador Park Young- Kuk recently paid a courtesy call to the office of the Nigeria Atomic Energy Commission (NAEC). The Ambassador in company of his counselor Seong- Hai LEE was received by the Director General NAEC and top management staff at the conference hall of the commission.



In his welcome address the DG traced the history of the relationship between Nigeria and Korea in the areas of nuclear power plant to 2005 when Nigeria sent a delegation to Korea to seek general areas of cooperation in nuclear power plant and make appropriate recommendation to government.

Due to this visit "Nigeria had activated NAEC to develop the nuclear roadmap for the country which has already been approved by government" he said. The DG stated that as a country with history and experience in nuclear power plant, Nigeria would like to explore ways in which Korea can help develop its manpower.

The DG further stated that Nigeria's nuclear power program was for peaceful purposes and that NAEC was working with the Nigeria Nuclear Regulatory Authority (NNRA) and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to develop legal frame work to regulate the practice and implementation of Nuclear Power Plant. He also stated that manpower training was already in progress

Responding the Ambassador said he was in NAEC to know firsthand the status of Nigeria's nuclear power program and explore areas Korea can provide technical assistance. He promised to send the DG's request to the appropriate quarters for further action.

The Ambassador requested to visit the three nuclear research centers under NAEC at Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife and the Nuclear Technological Center, Sheda. The visit was at the request of the Korean Ambassador.