



## Promoting a Lasting Partnership Between Azerbaijan and America

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### **Azerbaijan America Alliance Applauds President Obama for Selecting Richard Morningstar as the Nominee for Ambassador to Azerbaijan**

*Alliance Founder Anar Mammadov Congratulates Ambassador Morningstar*

**Washington, DC , April 27, 2012--** "The Azerbaijan America Alliance congratulates Ambassador Richard Morningstar on being selected as a nominee to serve at the US Embassy in Azerbaijan," said Anar Mammadov, Founder of the Azerbaijan America Alliance. "We look forward to working cooperatively with the new Ambassador, once he is confirmed, and helping to promote a lasting partnership between our two countries. Ambassador Morningstar is a seasoned businessman and diplomat and will be a tremendous asset to continue building important bridges between the United States and Azerbaijan. He is also well-known to our neighbors, as he knows the region extremely well. We encourage the US Senate to expeditiously approve Ambassador Morningstar as the next US Ambassador to Azerbaijan."

The Alliance also commends President Obama for choosing to nominate Ambassador Morningstar for this critically important role, according to Mr. Mammadov.

Azerbaijan and the United States recently celebrated its 20th Anniversary of diplomatic relations and Azerbaijan serves as an important ally to United States interests in the region.

**About the Alliance:** The Alliance is a Washington, DC based non-partisan, non-profit organization dedicated to providing information broadly about the people, culture, society, industry, history and current events of Azerbaijan. The mission of the Alliance is to foster an atmosphere of mutual understanding and respect between the people of Azerbaijan and America.

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