# Meeting with President of Guinea-Bissau - 9 /Aug/ 2010

Leader of the Islamic Revolution, Ayatollah Sayyed Ali Khamenei in a meeting with President of Guinea-Bissau, Malam Bacai Sanha, and his accompanying delegation said the Islamic Republic of Iran welcome expansion of relations with all Islamic states.

Islamic Revolution Leader added the Islamic Ummah is a great and talented complex and should be united and friend wherever they are.

Ayatollah Khamenei went on to say that if the cooperation between Islamic governments and nations fulfilled, all the Muslims would benefit it.

Referring to the importance of the African region, the Islamic Revolution Leader said the interfering hands of colonialists in a long period of time have created numerous problems for Africa and west part of the continent but today nations have been awakened and are after finding new areas for more cooperation.

Pointing out to the Iran's readiness to boost cooperation with African countries, Ayatollah Khamenei said Iran despite the colonialist powers could help develop African states as a friend and brother country and based on their national interests.

Islamic Revolution Leader described the country's scientific and industrial progress after the victory of Islamic Revolution as the result of national confidence and said, "If other nations could gain confidence and come to the scene of work and effort, they would achieve such progress as Iran did."

Ayatollah Khamenei highlighted ensuring security and stability of the African countries and accelerating their progress.

Guinea-Bissau President Malam Bacai Sanha, for his part, expressed wonder over the Islamic Republic of Iran's progress.

"Iranian nation's considerable progress is a pride for other nations," he said adding his country has tried to promote bilateral relation with the Islamic Republic of Iran more than before.