

Italy Returns Historical Stone Tablet to Iran

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Iran's Ambassador to Rome, Jahanbakhsh Mozaffari, hailed the Italian Police's move and said "fortunately, we have good relations with the Italian police particularly in coping with smuggling of ancient pieces from Iran and Italy.

he made the comments in an address to a ceremony to take delivery of the smuggled stone inscription in Rome.



The ceremony reveals the good cultural relations between Iran and Italy, he said, adding that the delivery of the headstone signifies the constructive relations between the two sides.

According to the Italian police, the gravestone was abandoned by the smugglers near a cemetery in Ferentino, a town 65 kilometres southeast of Rome.

Following further investigation, Italy's police came to the conclusion that the relic belongs to Iran," police noted.

The stone contains Nasta'liq script of a Persian poem and the death and birth dates of a dead person.

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In 2015, Italian police also found 30 cultural relics dating back to the post- and pre-Islamic eras which had been smuggled out of Iran, and handed them over to the Iranian Embassy in Rome.

