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Bush meets with king of Morocco

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WASHINGTON - Trade, terrorism and war were the main topics as President Bush and Morocco's King Mohammed VI met in the Oval Office and over lunch Thursday.

Last month, the United States and Morocco signed a free trade agreement that would end many tariffs on U.S. goods flowing into the nation. The administration sees the agreement, which still must be approved by Congress, as a building block in Bush's efforts to promote democracy and economic reform throughout the Middle East.

"The president emphasized to the king his desire to see the free trade agreement ratified this year," White House press secretary Scott McClellan said.