KABUL - President Ashraf Ghani on Monday demanded neighboring Pakistan to take the fight to Taliban leaders in the country.

In a hand-lifting speech to a rare joint session of parliament, Ghani said Pakistani leaders promised to end the war and join Afghan peace talks.

He went on to assert that insurgents in the Pakistani cities of Lahore, Multan and Faisalabad would use force against Taliban fighters across the border.

"We are unable to take action against the four-nation group, then they should be handled over to the Afghan authorities so they are tried and punished for their crimes," Ghani said.

He was referring to a so-called Quadriga Coordination Group, comprising Afghanistan, Pakistan, China, and the United States, which has been trying to revive peace talks between Kabul and the Taliban since the beginning of this year.

At the end of February, the four-way dialogue announced that an initial round of Afghan peace talks would be hosted by Pakistan in early March.

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KABUL - Afghanistan’s Economy Minister, Abdul Rehman Stanekzai, said the country would call for natural gas from Turkmenistan through Afghanistan to Pakistan and then India.

The project will reportedly cost $6 billion and will be completed by 2020.

Russia Rejects Links with Taliban

KABUL - Russian diplomats on Monday vehemently rejected claims that their government had lack the support to fight the Taliban in the region against Daesh.

Addressing a press conference in Kabul, Mantyuk said: “Russia has no secret plan with Taliban regarding talks. are working with all countries including the United States, Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, Iran and Turkey.

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