Afghan Peace Talks Team Expected to Leave for Doha in Two Days

KABUL - The Afghan government’s peace negotiation team is expected to leave Kabul on Wednesday for Doha, Qatar, for the intra-Afghan peace talks with the Taliban.

The team is expected to arrive officially on Sunday, Afghanistan’s national radio and television service Afra Radio reported.

All members of the group that will travel with the peace negotiation team, including its leader, Abdullah Abdullah, are in Kabul.

This initiative is in line with international health measures to try to curb the spread of the coronavirus.

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Taliban Can’t Gain Int’l Recognition If They Keep Ties with Terrorist Groups; French Envoy

KABUL - Talibans have to understand that they can’t gain any form of international recognition if they are still officially linked to well known and dangerous criminal and terrorist organizations, French ambassador has said.

In an exclusive interview with ITV, French ambassador to Afghanistan, said that according to the Doha agreement between the Taliban and the United States, the group has promised to renounce any cooperation with any organisation that is labelled as “what the international community expects."

And that the ambassador said that the Taliban will have to continue to maintain and will maintain it strongly, it can’t promise you the outcome we all want but, it’s also the outcome that we will continue to work for as hard as we can,” he said.

This comes after Sunday’s decision by the Loya Jirga, or grand council, in Kabul, that the remaining 400 Taliban prisoners must maintain their cooperation with the Doha agreement between the US and the Taliban in February this year.

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Morrison Urges Trump to Stop Release of Prisoner Who Killed Australian Soldiers

CANBERRA - Australia’s Prime Minister Scott Mor-

ison said Monday that the US-authorized Trump to execute an Afghan soldier who carried out an insider attack and killed three Australian soldiers.

Australia’s Foreign Minister Marine Payne and Defense Minister Linda Reynolds raised the matter with their US counterparts in Washington during talks late last month, and Morrison has written to Trump asking that the soldier not be released.

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KARAL - Some of the nearly 3,400 delegates of the Loya Jirga, the grand assembly, admitted that they had no information that the identity of the 400 high-value Taliban prisoners they which decided to release. The delegates said that they asked Jirga officials to provide information on the identity of the prisoners but it did not happen.

“We don’t know how they have been selected. We did not receive the list. We don’t know who we are releasing. We don’t know their names. It was already determined whether we release them or not. They put the responsibility of their release on us,” said Hamida, a Jirga delegate.

“We got general information. For instance, we were told that 300 of them are suicide bombers, some of them are smugglers... We were not told about them one-by-one.”

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The data is from August 3 to August 9. The highest number of casualties have been in Nangarhar (49 dead or wounded) and the lowest has been in Kabul (1). The security incidents have happened in 26 provinces including Kabul, Laghman, Nuristan, Uruzgan, Herat, Bala Bulghar, Paktia, Wardak, Badghis, Sar-e-Pul, Ghur, Faryab, Jizzakh, Helmand, Balkh, Kunar, Logar, Takhar, Nurestan, Kapisa, Zabul, Kandahar, Baghlan, Ghazi, and Nangarhar.

“Among the deceased are the Jirga delegates,” said Farida Ahmadi, a Jirga delegate.

According to government data, 156 of them have been sentenced to death, 105 of them are accused of murder, 36 of them are accused of kidnapping that led to murder, 51 of them (More on P4-110).

Turkey Re-Sends Seismic Vessel to East Med

ANKARA - Turkey Monday send a new Navigation Vessel (NAVTEX) for seismic surveys in the eastern Mediterranean to be conducted by its vessel Oruc Reis, a move escalating tension with Greece.

The seismic research vessel reached the operation area after departing from the city of Amasra for its new mission, one of the most important diplomatic events of the year, that took place on Monday afternoon, the government said in a statement.

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80 Civilians Killed in Last Seven Days: Govt Data

KABUL - Government data seen on Monday show 80 civilians were killed and 95 wounded in various attacks in different provinces.

The number of total cases is now 37,162, the total reported deaths is 5,286, and the total recoveries is 21,694.

The cases were reported in Farah (86), Ghor (1), Kabul (7), Kandahar (26), Badghis (16), Logar (5), Nimruz (5) and Paktia (2) provinces.

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Peace is the First Priority for Government of Afghanistan.

By: Dawlat Rahbari

The attention of the world has been drawn to Taliban regime in Afghanistan and by July 2021, the Afghan government collapsed and Afghanistan became free from the control of world terrorism. Nevertheless, by 2023 with the support of some neighboring countries and regions, the Taliban group had re-established responsible for military affairs, culture, finance and politics affairs. Military affairs and culture are based on fighting and financing the fight. The cultural affairs commission focused on media and communications. They then, launched many deadly attacks on their Afghan followers in different parts of the country, particularly in Kabul city. In the whole, the war of Taliban has not had a negative impact on all aspects of life in Afghanistan and have brought more bitterness to the lives of innocent civilians. Taliban regime in the Afghan scene the mass kaleidoscope of civilians. Men, women and children targeted via their suicide attacks constantly. Nonetheless, the masons of the Taliban inverter attacks cannot be described within the limits of words. One can only feel the pain by listening to the cries of widows, orphans and other victims of the country. Afghan men rejected and the forgivel possibility allowed by the Soviet-backed regime in the period of 1978 to 1992 but cannot forget the Taliban persecution from 1996 until now. The grievances of Yakarek and Mazurp and the horrid violations against the lives of millions of the people, hit the soul of this nation. Hence, on June 15, 2021 the Agreement for Bringing Peace to Afghanistan in Qatar on December 19, 2020, new wave of violence launched by the Taliban insurgents which entitled the Afghan civilians purposefully as well as the security forces. While Afghan government signaled to the Taliban its readiness to negotiate and dialogue by releasing of the prisoners, but there is no signal from the Taliban itself. It is a new challenge on the peace pathway and it may have a direct impact on the shape of the world. Moreover, in real life, the Taliban deliver statement that they are looking to end their long-run war which has cost the society of the Afghan several lives. But in real world, the Taliban activities do not pursue peace or fostering dialogue, their behaviors are against international education and culture code, and peace and compromise. In addition, there is no more precise knowledge of the Taliban’s internal dynamics, and its various priorities. The analysis of Taliban’s remarks and actions show that Taliban priority is to take some territory and control them. They have the power to make the Donor’s countries and the military capitals that take some cities. Despite of this fact, using violence is part of the Taliban ideology. Taliban without violence cannot exist. When the Taliban capture cities, they behave violently with the residents. They use sexual violence, to ensure they go on, to ensure they go on. Because the Taliban ambition is to control people rather than control places and after Taliban women have been untrue, and have not control the population, mainly to prevent people from informing upon them or acting against them. For this reason, the Taliban use outright violence against those they dislike and those who have a message to the rest of them, with an emphasis on obedience to their teaching. Hence, Taliban make the whole country suffer greatly. As the result, these offensive behaviors of Taliban may effect on peace process and made the situation in Afghanistan much more difficult than before and the Taliban.

Second challenge is to reconcile the regional state, international inter- roles and roles in peace. Afghan cannot anticipate who are the spoilers because they cannot identify their supporters as well. Because at present, circumstances engaging regional players in Afghanistan is very diff- cult. The national interests of each regional player in the region is very clear and there is no definition or specific regulations in what to control all; above the regional powers and the UN allies. Nevertheless, each regional party has their role in the integration and reconstruction process in the table of negotiation as well as can play a more negative role. It is true that the peace process is shifted to the regional states. The peace process of the region especially their relative interests, would have in- fluence on any future efforts to resolve the Afghan conflict. Peace with Afghanistan has two options on the table. Firstly the BA is uniting the people against the Taliban and retrieving the Taliban. Secondly, the Taliban Says to Afghanistan as an Afghan proverb says, “it’s not answer for throwing muddy bullet is flinging stony bullet”. The sec- ondly, the dialogue. The government can cultivate know- hows on the basis of the peace talks. In contrast, the parties can be divided. The international community can know how to cultivate the peace talks with the parties. The international community citizens, any different communities, and tribal leaders NGOs and community activists; teachers and educators; students and youth and any group that can contribute to the peace process can be instrumental in a positive Afghan future. Afghan women have a special role in the peace process as an opportunity for establishing a peaceful Afghan society.

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At least seven people were killed and more than 20 injured by a bomb explosion in the town of Bhurban, near the border with Afghanistan, said officials.

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KABUL - Afghanistan’s exports through air corridors increased by 29 percent in the first seven months of the ongoing year compared to the same period last year, the Ministry of Commerce and Industries (MoCI) said on Monday.

"After the coronavirus outbreaks, countries around the world took urgent precautionary measures, which led to lowest to declines in trade and transit between two countries. Afghanistan, meanwhile, had no exceptions," read a statement from MoIC.

According to the statement, trade and transit during March and April reached its lowest point. "The Government of Afghanistan realizes this is a phenomenon that is spreading and is likely to take a long time, so it took the initiative to work closely with the private sector to re-engage trade and transit with the countries of the region and the world."

According to fresh statistics, the volume of Afghani- stan’s exports via six corridors rose by 29 percent in the first seven months—accounting for 17 percent in value—compared to the corresponding period last year. The statement said the country’s exports to India and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) had returned to nor- mal and would resume to other countries soon. (Pajh- wok)

KARL - Outraged by blasts in Kabul and Kandahar, President Ashraf Gha- nai said attacking civilians and public places is an uniso- moral crime.

On Sunday evening, two civilians, including a woman, were killed and five others wounded when an explosive device placed in a handcart went off in the Company area of the capital.

In Kandahar, eight civilians were killed after the vehicle they were travelling in hit a roadside bomb in the Shem Nari area of Afghanistan dis- trict.

In a statement, President Ghanai denounced the incident, saying attacking civilians was an unforgivable act and a crime against humanity. (Pajhew)

Process of Voluntary Repatriation of Afghan Refugees from KP to Afghanistan Resumes

PEISHVAR - The process of voluntary repatriation of Afghan refugees from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa to Af- ghanistan has been resumed.

A spokesman of UNHCR Querai Ahadi told Radio Pa- khtun’s Pashto Service that a repatriation center has been set up at Azakhel district Nowshera to register refugees who want to go back to Afghanistan.

The spokesman said registering refugees at the center will be done on a priority basis.

He said that UNHCR is providing about two hundred dollars to each Afghan. (More on P4)...(9)

Transit MoU Signed Between Chabahar Port and Private Sector of Afghanistan

PEISHYAN - A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed between the General Directorate of Roads and Maritime Affairs of Sistan and Baluchestan, Iran, and the Afghan private sector in order to estab- lish and expand transit and invest- ment co-operation.

Regarding the signing of the MoU with the Afghan private sector, Behrouz Aghaei, Direc- tor General of Sistan and Balu- chestan Port and Maritime stan, said: "Considering the good relations of the two countries, this MoU is intended for the development of transit and investment of the Afghan pri- 称。第一阶段的工地上，撤离阿富汗的民工们还参与了包括道路、桥梁、输电线路等在内的多项基础设施建设。