US Encourages Ghani, Abdullah to Work Together

WASHINGTON - The United States affirmed support to National Unity Government amid concerns followed by Chief Executive Officer Abdullah Abdullah’s remarks for calling President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani as unfit for office.

Washington - USA today reaffirmed support to National Unity. We remain supportive of a government of national unity, and we encourage both President Ghani and Chief Executive Abdullah to work together to pursue these common goals," Trudeau said.

Noting significant and concrete progress by the National Unity Government, Trudeau said "We do remain in touch with the Afghan Government and we will remain in touch as they move forward." Abdullah made the remarks during a gathering in Kabul on Thursday as he was addressing a group of young people in his office garden.

The Chief Executive said he had struggled to achieve much progress with President Ghani during the two years of their government on the issue of electoral reform. He said President Ghani is not having time... (More on P4)...(2)

Taliban’s Special Forces Commander Arrested

KUNDuz CITY - A special forces commander of the Taliban group was arrested during a clash with the Afghan security forces in northern Kunduz province of Afghanistan.

The Ministry of Interior (MoI) said the Taliban commander was identified as Faizullah who was leading the special forces of the Taliban in Kunduz province. MoI further added that the Taliban commander was arrested after attacking a security post in... (More on P4)...(3)

Security Forces Repel Taliban Attack in Badghis

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SHIBERGHAN - The security situation has been controlled in eight districts of northern Jawzjan province, where all highways are open for traffic, Governor Maulvi Lutfullah Aziz claimed on Tuesday.

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