Mullah Baradar Released by Pakistan at US Request

WASHINGTON - Mullah Baradar was recently released by Pakistan at his request, US Special Envoy Zalmay Khalilzad said on Friday. Pakistan would aim a better relationship with both Washington and Kabul in return for its assistance in the ongoing peace process, he said.

Pakistan had not played a positive role historically with regard to the Afghan peace process, but with the release of Baradar, it had shown a positive change in its approach, Khalilzad remarked. “The release of Mullah Baradar, which was my request, they (Pakistan) accommodated that.” Baradar has a reputation of being (Pakistan) accommodated that.

former president Karzai during his tenure stressed that the Taliban and the US by including talks between the Taliban and the US by Khalilzad remarked.

Pakistan had mentioned Baradar would approach, Khalilzad remarked. Khalilzad said he was hopeful a peace deal could be finalized before Afghanistan’s presidential elections in July, but warned that there remained “a lot of work” to do. “We are at the early stages of a protracted process,” he said. "(More on P4-20)

Afghan Peace Possible Before July Elections

The top U.S. negotiator in peace talks with Afghanistan’s Taliban leaders says he hopes a peace agreement can be achieved before Afghanistan’s next set of elections just five months away.

WASHINGTON - Zalmay Khalilzad, U.S. special representative for Afghanistan reconciliation, spoke Friday to an audience at the United States Institute of Peace in Washington, apologizing for his scratchy voice. “This is what 42 hours of talking with the Taliban can do to you,” he joked.

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Women, Civil Society Role Vital for Sustainable Peace, Reconciliation

WASHINGTON - Some civil society activists have termed the Moscow meeting on Afghan peace and reconciliation process exclusive and said greater participation of women was ignored during the meeting.

Addressing a gathering on “Peace that protects civil values and participation of masses” the participants from the Afghan Women Network and the Women Advocacy Committee underlined the importance of women. “(More on P4-13)

Afghan Air Force Says Its Ready to Handle Black Hawk Helicopters

KANDAHAR - Days after a U.S. government watching questioned providing state-of-the-art Black Hawk helicopters to Afghanistan, the country’s fledgling air force says it can use the aircraft in combat and can even repair and maintain the aircraft.

Afghan Air Force Majer General Abdul Raaziq Shirzai says the capacity of his forces to handle the helicopters has rapidly improved. He says they are supporting ground force operations and attacks on militants throughout the country where skirmishes with the Taliban militants are frequent. “(More on P4-20)

Publication of Award of Contract

Project Name: G0508 – AFG Road Asset Management Project (RAMP)

Name of NCB: Procurement of three (3) Sets of soundproof Generators for MPW/PMO

Bid/Contract Reference No. PMO/MOPW/G-2/NCB


Scope of the Contract: Procurement of three (3) Sets of soundproof Generators for MPW/PMO

Duration of Contract: 2 months, 60 days

Evaluation Currency: USD

Contract Awarded recommendation: Name: Aryansky Way Logistics Service & Construction Co JV with Omid Sedqi Ltd

Address in Afghanistan: Balkan Mina Phase E, Kabul-Afghanistan

Bid price at bid opening: 353,630.00 USD with offering 25 % Discount

Evaluating Bid Price (in evaluation currency): 170,683.00 USD

Contract Price (in evaluation currency): 170,683.00 USD

List of bidders who submitted Bids

1. Jabali Bros Co-Ltd
2. Allied Machinery Limited
3. Aryansky Way Logistics Service & Construction Co JV with Omid Sedqi Ltd

List of responsive bidders, Aryansky Way Logistics Service & Construction Co JV with Omid Sedqi Ltd

Bid price at bid opening: 253,630.00 USD with Offering of 25 % Discount and is 10.07 % lower than the estimated cost for the goods

List of Non responsive Bidders, Jabali Bros Co-Ltd

List of Allied Machinery Limited

This is to notify that Ministry of Public Works intend to award the contract for Procurement for works of three (3) Sets of Soundproof Generators. With IFR No. PMO/MOPW/G-2/NB to Aryansky Way Logistics Service & Construction Co JV with Omid Sedqi Ltd

Based in Afghanistan, at a total amount of 170,683.00 USD One hundred seventy-six thousand and three hundred Eighty-Five (170,683) USD only.

The ground for protest is open, starting from date of announcement of this intention for award and will close within one calendar week. Protest shall not be accepted beyond the deadline. Protest must be addressed in writing to PMO of Ministry of Public Works located at Marawriy, Kabul, Afghanistan.

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