President of the Republic of Azerbaijan - increase in the number of forces in connection with the given the importance of ensuring peace and stability in Afghanistan, a group of 70 Azerbaijani peacekeepers continue its efforts to ensure peace and stability in Afghanistan.

In a video message, the US envoy said his country will continue its efforts to ensure peace and stability in Afghanistan. He told the building’s inauguration ceremony that the structure was surrounded by weapons. Local elders also played a crucial role in this regard.

The surrounding Taliban, who returned to normal life, would be welcomed at a ceremony, the police spokesman concluded.

To this end, the Azerbaijani parliament amended the Resolution “On giving consent to the deployment and participation in the relevant operations in Afghanistan of a platoon of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Azerbaijan as part of the battalion of the Peace Forces of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

IEC Candidates to be Introduced to Gov. this Week

KARUL - The Independent Election Commissioner’s (IEC) selection committee on Tuesday said by the end of this week they will introduce six applicants to government.

The committee started work on the selection process of candidates for the position of new commissioner for the IEC this come after the former IEC chief Najibullah Ahmadzai was dismissed by President Ashraf Ghani on two weeks ago. According to the committee, they had received 57 applications and rejected 41 of them following their assessments. Now the committee is assessing the remaining 16 applications and will shortlist six of them. These six will be introduced by the president to government.

According to the committee, they will introduce two lists - on each of them will include three applicants.

“Our work is ongoing and we are trying to send the results to the president as soon as possible so that they should introduce one candidate from each list to the IEC,” he said.

40 Taliban Insurgents Join Peace Process in Badakhshan

FAZIBAD - Forty Taliban militants have joined the reconciliation process in north-eastern Badakhshan province, an official said on Tuesday. Provincial police spokesman Sanaullah Rashidi told Pajhwok Afghan News the insurgents joined the peace process in Argo district on Monday.

The operation was conducted in Khogyani, Haska Mena, Momand Dara and Ghondil districts, said Brig. Gen. Mohammad Naseem Sangin, the Afghan National Army’s Special Military’s Corps fourth brigade main commander.

He told a press conference here that 52 Taliban were detected and disarmed during the offensive and 10 others exploded on security forces.

The high-ranking security official also confirmed casualties among the Taliban forces, but provided no figures.

DAECH NIGHT LETTERS THREATEN QARABAGH RESIDENTS

QARABAGH - Daesh and so-called Islamic State (IS) group has circulated night letters in Qarabagh district of southern Ghazi province, threatening residents with death if they provided support to Taliban rivals.

The Qarabagh town chief, Shabul Khan, told Pajhwok Afghan News on Tuesday that Daesh fighters distributed the night letters on Monday night.

A copy of the night letter is available with Pajhwok Afghan News. In the beginning, the letter reads ‘Afghanistan Daesh’ with a black flag on it.

The group has asked people not to provide any kind of cooperation to Taliban otherwise they would be killed in a mysterious way and their bodies thrown in front of their homes.

In another part of the letter, the militant warned: “If a Taliban fighter kills a Daesh member in war then he will be killed.”

However the Qarabagh district chief said Daesh fighters were rarely seen in Khost-Ghazni district of Zadai province and they didn’t exist in Ghazi ‘as Khost-Ghazni border are Ghazi, the,British have never invaded in Ghazni.”

The town chief said the issue had been shared with security organs in order to strengthen security measures.

A resident of the area, Neer Rahman told Pajhwok Afghan News has distributed the night letters in many areas ordering people not to support Taliban and instead support government.

He asked security officials to resolve the new emerging problems that people confront Daesh and Taliban.