President Ashraf Ghani
No one Should Gamble Afghanistan will Collapse

The government should be one fundamental lesson, instability of a government in one region causes instability in the entire region and the world," he said.

The president said Afghan women had suffered the most in the ongoing war in the country. He said the Afghan women were the victims of war and that the war had been imposed on them. "The war is imposed on us and we don't want peace from a weak position." "I assure you that whenever we reach a peace agreement, Afghan women's presence on the government will be made sure," the president pledged.

Also on Tuesday, the president named the first female Supreme Court justice in Afghanistan. (More on P.4)

Senators Want Foreign Forces Stop Arbitrary Operations

KABUL - Medrano's legal unit or upper house of the parliament on Tuesday expressed grave concern over security situation of the country and asked foreign forces to stop arbitrary actions.

In a general session of the house, senators said that foreign forces could not take Afghanistan for their own interests, not for the interest of Afghanistan. Gahkhlil Abdul, a member of the house from Badakhshan province, said there was no reason for them to act in this way.

AGO Warns of Legal Action against Kabul Bank Defaulters

KABUL - The Attorney General's Office (AGO) warned on Tuesday that it will take legal action against Kabul Bank defaulters who fail to repay their loans.

At a press conference in Kabul, AGO spokesman Baer Azizi said the bank has received millions of dollars in repayments from defaulters from the Kabul Bank's collection department - which collapsed in 2010 after supporting security in border areas and said: "The (More on P.4.)

Teachers End Month-Long Strike after Assurances

KABUL - The Ministry of Education has said on Tuesday that the month-long teachers' strike came to an end today after assurances by authorities to look into their legitimate demands. In a statement, the ministry said the strike by hundreds (More on P.4.)

Suicide Car Bomb Rocks Kabul, NATO Vehicle Targeted

KABUL - A suicide bomb attack targeted NATO-led ISAF convoy near the Qala-i-Naw market area in Kabul on Tuesday, killing at least one civilian, in what was the city's third explosion of the day. The suicide bombing reportedly targeted a NATO-led ISAF vehicle near a US compound at about 12:05 pm in a statement issued by RS it said all personnel were safe and accounted for.

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