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AICC Executive Director, Dr. Ahmadzai, stressed the importance of the peace process. He said that the Taliban have threatened to disrupt the peace process if the government fails to meet their demands.

KARIBUL - The AICC announced that it has reached an agreement with the Taliban to hold talks on October 10. The talks are expected to discuss issues such as the release of prisoners and the withdrawal of foreign forces.

Quote of the Day

"You cannot escape the responsibility of tomorrow by evading it today." - Abraham Lincoln

Woesi Jirga Fails to Hold Session

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The lower house is yet to reach a conclusion over the speaker position despite holding several sessions, so far.

It was scheduled that a 10-member appointed delegation, tasked with addressing the deadlock, would present its report.

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