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NEULU BAWIAN CITY - Provincial council members in central Bawian and Baluchistan provinces say the closure of their offices has a negative impact on good governance. A month back, the Wazir Jiga or lower house of parliament amended the law on provincial councils, halting them from performing the evaluation of local projects. The lower house's decision sparked protests by provincial council members in all provinces and they closed their offices. Council members in Baluchistan said they were unable to resolve people's problems after the PC office had been closed. [Monaie PHL, F22]

Kandahar Bank Robbers Ready to Escape

KANDAHAR CITY - Officials who raided their own bank in southern Kandahar province last month have issued a statement saying they took away the money to save it from robbers and would return the cash if their demand were met. The private bank workers have reportedly escaped with about $40 million after nailing down their own branch in the Spin Boldak district. Security cameras at the branch showed its vault had been cleaned out and the CCTV recordings before fleeing.

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