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KABUL - Maas described his visit to Afghanistan as a clear signal Germany was committed to playing its part in a peaceful resolution of the conflict. There are concerns about the effects of a reduction in the US mission. Germany is part of the NATO Resolute Support mission to train Afghan security forces and has a force of about 1,200 soldiers stationed there.

KABUL - President Ashraf Ghani would not inaugurate the Wolesi Jirga or Lower House of parliament until the Independent Election Commission (IEC) reveals the final results of the October parliamentary elections, the Presidential Palace said Sunday. After a half month winter break of the lawmakers, the president was expected to open the parliament’s 17th legislative term. But he has not yet inaugurated the house. The lawmakers said that parliament is the legislative part of a government and that it shouldn’t be closed, insisting the MPs are facing an uncertain fate. “The legislative body has been closed and you think that you can rule Afghanistan and the government by himself,” said MP Samiullah Samim.

KABUL - The Afghan government on Monday rejected a report which says Mullah Omar, Taliban’s founding leader, had lived near a US base in Afghanistan before he died. The report which quotes “Searching for an Enemy,” by Dutch journalist Bette Dam, says that Mullah Omar lived within walking distance of US bases in Afghanistan for years. US and Afghan leaders believed the Taliban leader fled to and eventually died in Pakistan. However, the new book says...(More on P4)...(3)

KABUL - The Deputy Interior Minister Gen. Khalid Sadat has announced that the police chiefs of 11 police districts have been replaced in Kabul city. Gen. Sadat informed regarding the changes in a Twitter post which was released today. According to Gen. Sadat, the decision to replace police chiefs in 11 police districts was taken due to the existing security...(More on P4)...(4)

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