Yamamoto Briefs UN Security Council on Afghanistan

The UN Secretary General’s Special Representative for Afghanistan on Monday briefed the UN Security Council on situation and recent developments in Afghanistan.

KABUL - During his speech to UN Security Council, Yamamoto informed regarding significant developments in the areas of peace and elections in the past three months, noting the ongoing talks between U.S. and Taliban in Qatar and the intra-Afghan dialogue in Moscow. Emphasizing on Afghan-led and Afghan-owned peace process with the central role of Afghan government, Yamamoto said “Inclusiveness, coherence, and representativeness in negotiations are critical for success. We understand that the Government is consulting widely to forge the negotiating structure, including a negotiating team, which enables such inclusiveness with coherence. Establishment of such a negotiating team is critical to moving the process...”

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USAID Supports Ministry of Higher Education’s Solar Energy System

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The solar energy system is essential for all other MoHE systems and databases to operate properly. This is a back-up system that is not only maintained very easily, but also provides clean energy which is good for the environment”, said Dr. Najibullah Khawaj Omari, Minister of Higher Education.

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KABUL - The Attorney General’s Office (AGO) on Tuesday imposed a travel ban on five senior officials of the Independent Election Commission (IEC) over alleged involvement in electoral fraud, the AGO spokesman Jawed Rasili confirmed. According to a document obtained by TOLOnews, the five individuals include: Ahmad Shah Zaramai, former head of the secretariat of the Independent Election Commission (IEC), Ahmadishah, former head of the IEC operations, Abid Ali Samini, deputy head of the operations, Sayed Wahid Safi, head of the IT department of the IEC, and Eramat Qalamyar, head of IEC’s field operations.

The AGO has directed Afghan border police not to allow those banned to exit the country, the AGO spokesman said. The move follows a similar decision in February after the AGO slapped similar restrictions on 12 commissioners of the IEC and the five IEC officials over fraud, the AGO spokesman Jamshid Rasili confirmed. According to a document obtained by TOLOnews, the five individuals include: Ahmad Shah Zaramai, former head of the secretariat of the Independent Election Commission (IEC), Ahmadishah, former head of the IEC operations, Abid Ali Samini, deputy head of the operations, Sayed Wahid Safi, head of the IT department of the IEC, and Eramat Qalamyar, head of IEC’s field operations.

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