Amid Flared-up Afghan Forces

50 soldiers of some National Army company of some Afghan forces took hostage of an entire Afghan Taliban killed, wounded and provinces, and left 31 Taliban in the Kunar, Khost, Oruzgan, violence has flare-up evidently fighting fiercely for turf. This comes just a day after the last night's fighting left 31 Taliban dead, 19 others wounded and 78 flights in the past 24 hours. (More on P4)...(1)

KABUL - President Ashraf Ghani has ordered the National Defense and Security Forces (ANDSF) to abide by strict rules for preventing civilian casualties in their operations against militants.

A UN report from last month shows that a record number of civilians were killed in 2018. “As President of a responsible state, I must say that civilian casualties are the most tragic event in times of war, it pains me as much as any other Afghan when I hear about harm to civilians,” Ghani said. He made the remarks at a meeting with senior security officials from his cabinet as well as the NATO’s Resolute Support mission in Afghanistan. (More on P4)...(2)

Ghani said the Afghan security agencies have taken urgent steps whenever they have received any reports on civilian casualties.

“Our security and defense forces are committed to the roles of war and engagement and they only provide proportionate response to any enemy attack,” Ghani added. (More on P4)...(3)