Mohammad Hanif Atmar

‘Afghanistan’s Constitution Recognition Prerequisite for Talks’

KABUL - Terminating the little-known Dari is a threat to national security, Mohammad Hanif Atmar, the National Security Advisor (NSA), on Tuesday said that clear the government would hold talks only with groups that accepted the constitution of Afghanistan.

Atmar stressed that these views at a briefing to members of upper house. Atmar was summoned by the Mehtab Jirga to explain government position on bilateral agreements, peace process, and presence of Islamic State in Afghanistan.

Afghanistan, Uzbekistan Inks Accords of Mutual Interests

KARUL - In a fresh development, Afghanistan has signed three agreements with Uzbekistan in areas of energy, transport, trade, and transit, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) said Tuesday. MoFA spokesman Shabir Murtazai told journalists an Afghan delegation led by Shabir Kargar, president’s special envoy in commonwealth countries, travelled to Tashkent last week. Kargar had signed bilateral agreements with the minister of energy of Uzbekistan.

Murtazai said the agreements would create restrictions on trade and transit between the two neighboring countries. The countries would have a prominent role in assisting Afghanistan with its railway projects.

Based on agreements, Murtazai said, Tashkent would also help Kabul in surveying Hazara–Herat railway and with (More on P-4).

Obama Nominates a Gen. Dunford as Joint Chiefs Chairman

WASHINGTON - President Barack Obama is nominating a widely respected, combat-hardened commander who led the Afghan war against the Taliban in 2013-14 as the next chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS). Obama plans to make the announcement at the White House Tuesday, said sources who spoke on condition of anonymity because they are not authorized to speak publicly about the announcement. Dunford is expected to be easily confirmed by the U.S. Senate. Dunford’s service as the commandant of the Marine Corps (More on P-6).

Pakistan Reiterates Support for Peaceful, Stable Afghanistan

KARUL - Pakistan’s Finance Minister Ishaq Dar said that Peace Minister Noor Wazir comes from a region where she is strongly stable and cooperative with Afghanistan. Pakistan’s state-run Associated Press of Pakistan (AP) noted that this is a major development, marking the first diplomatic relations established with Afghanistan as well as Pakistan and would enhance regional peace, trade and economic opportunities for the people of the two countries. Dar said while travelling to his Afghan counterpart, Ishaq Dar, in Islamabad on Monday. (More on P-6).

India Commits to Support Rebuilding of Afghanistan

NEW DELHI - Discussions at the Delhi Policy Group underscored the commitment of India to support war-torn Afghanistan to rebuild its infrastructure and economy.

The Delhi Policy Group, an independent think tank, presented ideas and recommendations in its annual report titled “Afghanistan: The Quest for National Unity,” for maintaining peace and stability in Afghanistan.

The event was attended by researchers, scholars, and students, including former external affairs minister Salman Khurshid. The conference highlighted Afghanistan’s economic, political, and security situation and how regional powers should cooperate to help the country in attaining peace and stability.

The discussion emphasized on the presence of China and Pakistan in facilitating the peace process in Afghanistan. (More on P-8).

MOL Policemen among 48 Dead in Badakhshan Clashes

KABUL - At least 13 policemen and 30 Taliban, including five notorious commanders, were killed in clashes on the Wardak district of north-east Badakhshan province, the Ministry of Interior (MoI) said Tuesday.

In a brave move, militant groups staged attacks on MOL police posts in Pashmul, Shor Bakh, and Sadyr villages and faced off with stiff resistance by the security forces, a statement released by MoI said. Intense clashes left 35 injured including their commanders Malandi Haji, Malandil Abdul, Qari Jumad and Hamayun and two other commanders, dead, the statement added.

Two Taliban spokespersons in Shor Bakh, Qari Malandi claimed capturing 12 posts by the MOL police in Badakhshan district. He said 32 policemen had been killed and 17 others captured during the gun battle. Alau, who acknowledged two Taliban had been killed and five others wounded.

KARUL - In a fresh development, the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) announced a new $55 million program to provide immediate and long-term support to victims of conflict. A statement from the USAID on Tuesday said that the three-year Afghanistan Civilian Assistance Program (ACAP) (More on P-6).

USAID Announces $30m Civilian Victim’s Assistance

The program is being implemented by the United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS) and the French government.

Dolfa Talks Could Pave Way for Peace Negotiations

DOLFI - The recent talks between the two sides played a significant role in achieving a positive outcome.

The meeting was characterized by a constructive and positive atmosphere, leading to the official conclusion where both parties were satisfied with the progress achieved.

The media reported that the negotiations were ongoing and the parties were working closely to achieve a mutually acceptable outcome.

Pakistan Reiterates Support for Peaceful, Stable Afghanistan

The government of Pakistan has reiterated its commitment to support Afghanistan’s peace process and stability.

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