Dostum, Noor Discuss Political, Security Situation in Ankara Meeting

KABUL - First Vice President Abdul Rashid Dostum and Balkh Governor Atta Mohammad Noor have met in Turkey and discussed current security and political situation of the country. Raisur Dostum, head of the Jamhuri-i-Islami and son of Dostum and other key officials were present in the meeting in Ankara, the capital of Turkey.

The two leaders talked security situation of the country and highlighted the inability of security institutions to control the situation, a statement from Jamiat-Islami published on social media said. Dostum and Noor in particular discuss... (More on P4)... (2)

More Investigation Ordered into Recent Kabul Blasts

KABUL - A high level security huddle has stressed over further investigation of the recent terrorist attacks on Hamid Karzai International Airport and Hussainia Mosque in Kabul, a statement from Presidential Palace said on Sunday.

The security meeting was chaired by President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani here on Saturday evening, the statement said. At the start of the meeting overall security measures for Ashoura procession was reviewed and special directive given to security officials to ensure safety of people.

Officials of the Interior Ministry and National Directorate of Security (NDS)... (More on P4)... (5)

President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani says Afghans are one nation and believed in one creed, a fact the enemy of Afghanistan should know and believed that they will never be able to divide this nation. The president expressed the view in a gathering marking 10th Muharramul Haram or Ashura Day at Imam Zaman Mosque in Kabul. He said: “our enemy should know that effort to divide us will fail. We are one nation and believe in one creed. Every sect of our... (More on P4)... (1)

Russia, Iran Still Provide Weapons to Afghan Taliban

KABUL - US Defence Secretary Jim Mattis has accused Iran and Russia of continuing their armed support to Afghan Taliban, a media report said on Saturday.

The Pentagon chief blasted Russia and Iran’s continued support to Taliban jihadists, echoing concerns previously expressed by US officials, including Gen. Nicholson, who has also noted that Pakistan is assisting... (Move on P4)... (3)

KHALILI, MOHAQIQ STRESS TRANSPARENT CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS

KABUL – Former Vice President, Mohammad Karim Khalili and Deputy CEO, Haji Mohammad Muhaqiq on Sunday demanded the next year Wolesi Jirga and district council elections to be free, fair and transparent.

Karim Khalili, former vice president and incumbent head of the High Peace Council (HPC), while addressing a gathering... (Move on P4)... (4)

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