Taliban put pressure on the people through the use of violence, and tortured them.

He asked the international community to put pressure on the Taliban so the group could respect international laws. He made it clear that the formation of interim government and delaying of elections cannot bring permanent peace to the country. Presidential Elections are scheduled to take place on September 28. (Pajhwok)

Insecurity Main Challenge for Elections: IEC

Officials from the Independent Election Commission, IEC, see insecurity as the main hurdle on the way of presidential elections scheduled for 28 September. (Tolo news)

Abdullah Suspends Presidential Decree on Probe in MoFA

KABUL: Chief Executive Abdullah Abdullah has suspended a presidential decree which was issued to investigate allegations on appointments in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, MoFA.

A copy of a letter obtained by Tolo News shows that Mr. Abdullah has said that the investigation is part of election campaign by President Ghani.

Mr. Abdullah’s office has not commented on this. But the Presidential Palace says the allegations will be assessed.

Sources within the government have confirmed the letter by the Chief Executive Office. The letter also says that the decree should be implemented by the next government. But the Presidential Palace said the president’s decree was aimed at reforms in government institutions. The letter also said that the changes were needed in the MoFA.

We should assess every administration for improvement, and we hope that all are on the same page with us in this regard that all our institutions need assessment and reforms,” presidential spokesman Sediq Sedig said.

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