Afghan President Vows Steps to Prevent Civilian Casualties after Deadly Attacks

**Quote of the Day**

"In the eye of one who sees, and lovely is made for the eye of one who sees." — Rumi

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**Afghan President Ashraf Ghani has promised to take steps to prevent civilian casualties in the war against the Taliban, a day after at least 30 civilians were killed in a U.S. drone strike in eastern Nangarhar Province.**

**US Withholds Afghan Funds Over Corruption**

Pompeo cited corruption and Afghanistan’s “inability to transparently manage US government resources”.

**Abdullah Unhappy Over Growing Civilian Casualties**

Abdullah Abdullah, the looser inouced in security forces operations and demanded steps to prevent civilian casualties.

**Security Officials Pledge to Counter Election Threats**

"We have had productive discussions with provincial leadership on security for the elections, and we are working on the Election Commission’s schedule," Zia said. "The Taliban has failed in their efforts and pressed on them [by security forces] will remain closed due to security threats."

**US Renews Call for Credible Presidential Vote**

The State Department said: “Along with other international donors, we have called repeatedly for the Afghan government and electoral institutions to make preparations for a credible election.”

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