Senators Call for Holding of Loya Jirga in Afghanistan

KABUL - Senators in the upper house of the parliament on Sunday called for holding of the Loya Jirga in order to overcome from the current situation in Afghanistan. They have stated that problems are increasing day by day and it drags the country into complete crisis, demanding the Government to determine the date for holding of parliamentary and provincial council election.

Meanwhile a number of the senators in the upper house of the parliament have called for holding of tradition way of Loyal Jirga. Insecurity, poor economy, aspiring of Afghans, warming of neighboring countries, having no ideal policy against other countries are the major concerns of the senators who have expressed during the session today.

Senator Sher Mohammad Atta Reza said, "Government should do about the ongoing situation. Afghanistan parliament are illegally working, the more it gets postponed the more it will ruin the country." However, Zabih Zabih urged should ensure presence on Government, to hold the Loya Jirga, the domestic and Foreign Policy of Afghanistan should be determined.

Loya Jirga should be held according to Afghanistan constitution. Election calendar should be launched, so that we could hold parliamentary and provincial council election first deputy of senate house Mohammad Alireza said.

Senator Muhidin Mansaf said, "the government delays determining of the parliament election, it was the agreement of both Afghan leaders to hold the Loya Jirga but they still delay it." After the establishing of the National "(More on Pk-11)"

Tursk Cast Ballots to Elect Lawmakers in Snap Election

ANKARA - Turkish voters went to polls on Sunday to elect 505 members of the parliament in a snap election just five months after the June 7 parliamentary election, which threw out the president's party from its 13-year majority and ended its 11-year reign in power.

The snap election results are unlikely to result in the formation of a single-party government, with no political parties able to get a majority, similar to the outcome of the last election. In one of the major constituencies, the ruling Justice and Development Party (AKP) topped the vote tally with 27 percent of the valid votes, followed by the Republican People's Party (CHP) with 24.82 percent. (More on Pk-10)

Balkhi Speaks Out Against Germany's Decision

KABUL - Afghanistan foreign minister Haneef Atmar said in a phone call with his counterpart in Germany on Sunday that the German government will not accept the demands of its allies, unless there will be a deals agreement between the government of Afghanistan and the European Union.

However the ministry urged that the government of Afghanistan is ready to hold dialogue with Germany. (More on Pk-10)

Karimov, Kerry Discuss Situation in Afghanistan

KABUL - US Secretary of State John Kerry on Sunday arrived in Afghanistan to hold meetings with the country's leadership and the representatives of Central Asian republics. During the meeting, a detailed exchange of views on the actual regional problems with the focus on the security situation in the context of "(More on Pk-10)"

ADB, Donor Countries Announce $858 Mln Grant for Afghanistan

KABUL - The Asian Development Bank (ADB), which is the leading institution in the development of Afghanistan, together with donor partners have announced a new $858 million grant for Afghanistan. The new grant is announced during a recent visit of Afghanistan's Deputy Prime Minister Mohammad Hatan to the headquarters of ADB in the Philippines. (More on Pk-10)
Russia Growing Muscles in the Middle East

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fter nearly a month of conducting daily air strikes, Russia is using its military in a political campaign under the guise of a "political and strategic initiative in Syria." A new round of talks was initiated in Vienna, which has indicated that the US will also join in the military campaign, which is being conducted in which Russia is about to play a major role. Russia's President was in Moscow last week and is continuing to talk to his diplomats and politicians in some countries in the Middle East and the West, that Russia has a better chance than anyone else to settle the political process for Syria conflict. But it's not about Syria only Russia has big ambitions in the whole Middle East and entering into the Syrian bloody war on the side of Bashar Al Assad was just a manifestation of Rus-

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The UN Security Council has approved a resolution to expand the peacekeeping mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, appointing a new head and increasing the budget. The mission is responsible for monitoring the cease-fire agreement between the government and the M23 rebel group.

The mission will now have a total of 20,000 personnel, including 10,000 Congolese personnel. The resolution also provides for the deployment of a new headquarters in Goma and the establishment of a new base in the northern Virunga region.

The resolution was adopted unanimously by the Security Council, with no votes against.

The new mission head, Alain Reasons, will be based in Kinshasa and will report directly to the UN secretary-general.

The expansion of the mission comes against the backdrop of continuing violence in the region, with reports of attacks on civilians and humanitarian workers. The mission will focus on providing security and stabilizing the area, as well as supporting the implementation of the peace agreement.

The mission will also work closely with the Congolese government to support the delivery of essential services and the promotion of human rights.

The expansion of the mission is part of a broader effort by the international community to address the challenges in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, where conflict and violence have persisted for decades.
Iran's Khamenei Calls for Syrian Elections to Solve Crisis

AKTOO - Syrian President Hafez al-Assad on Monday called for elections to be held in Syria to end the civil war that has erupted there over the past four years and fund Syrian opposition fighters. The information was released by the state news agency on Monday.

The talks were expected to take place in Vienna on Friday after finding a solution to the Syrian issue. The talks would be mediated by the United Nations and the United States, which had been discussing the situation in the country.

UN Envoy peng Envoy to Damascus to brief Security Council talks

GAMMADI - The UN special envoy to Damascus, Bashar al-Assad, said on Monday that the talks with the Syrian government were ongoing. The UN envoy had previously met with senior members of the Syrian government in Damascus, where he was told that the talks were aimed at finding a solution to the crisis.

Turkish, U.S. Air Strikes Kill 5,000 Militants in Syria: Agency

TRIPOLI - EPA - The Syrian government forces on Sunday killed 5,000 militants in a series of air strikes. The strikes were part of a wider effort by the government to recapture territory from the militants. The government said that the strikes were in response to the militants' continued attacks on government forces.

World Leaders Extend Condoles to Russian Plane Crash in Egypt

BERLIN - Russian President Vladimir Putin on Sunday extended condolences to the families of the victims of the Russian plane crash in Egypt. Putin said that the tragedy was a great loss for the Russian people and that his government was doing everything possible to investigate the incident and bring the perpetrators to justice.

Kerry in First Meeting with Karimov

SAMARKAND - U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry met with President Islam Karimov of Uzbekistan on Sunday. The two leaders discussed a range of issues, including trade, security, and counterterrorism.

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TEHRAN - Iran's supreme leader has warned against importing US goods, saying that the country should instead rely on domestic production and self-sufficiency. The statement comes amid tensions between the US and Iran over nuclear talks and other issues.

French President Heading to China to Promote Climate Talks

PARIS - French President Francois Hollande is expected to visit China in the coming days to promote climate talks and discuss ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The visit comes at a time when the US and China are facing increasing pressure from other nations to take action on climate change.

U.S. Seeking Six-Party talk for Nuclearized Korean Peninsula: Carter

SEUL - U.S. Defense Secretary Ashton Carter said on Sunday that the US is seeking to revive the six-party talks for nuclear disarmament on the Korean Peninsula. The talks were last held in 2007, and have been suspended since then.

Anti-Terror Efforts must be Coordinated with Syrian Gov't: Syria FM

DAMASCUS - Syrian Foreign Minister Walid al-Moallem said on Monday that the anti-terror efforts must be coordinated with the Syrian government. The Syrian government has been fighting a rebellion against it, with an estimated 200,000 people killed and millions displaced.

UN Peace Envoy in Damascus to Brief Security Council

DAMASCUS - UN peace envoy Staffan de Mistura met with Syrian Foreign Minister Walid al-Moallem on Sunday to discuss the UN's efforts to facilitate a political solution to the conflict in Syria.

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Gov’t. Must Disclose Result of Kunduz Investigations: MPs

KARUL - The result of the investigation launched by the public prosecutor of the Provincial Attorney, a number of Afghan lawmakers urge, ‘The result of the collapse needs to be disclosed. delays worry us, the result of the investigation needs to be made public to the public, so no political deal should be made.” Abdullah Nili, a member of Afghan Parliament from Balkh province said. Fazel Fehri, another member of Parliament from Bamiyan province stated, “facts must not be kept in the dark. KARUL is the end of the road, the perpetrators need to be held accountable.”

Merkel Unable to Defuse German Coalition Dispute on Refugee Policy

BERLIN - German Chancellor Angela Merkel failed on Tuesday to resolve differences within her ruling coalition on dealing with the wave of refugees. The results has delayed her conservation popular party. Germany’s image of a long and a million asylum seekers will be two times this year, twice as many as in any previous year, and far more than in any other European Union countries. The other has been up to 80 million the combination of the majority of German conservatives (CDU) demanding tougher action that many in the ruling party, the Social Democrats (SPD), op- pose. Government spokesman Michaela Schmitt described talks on Sunday between the three parties leachers as “constructive”, but said they would meet again on Thursday. German media had labeled Sunday’s meeting as “tense.”

Evis, Rival Countries Given Hands to Face Afghanistan with Challenges: Gen. Qadman

KARUL - International terror- ists, narcotics smugglers, terrorist groups and rival coalitions of Afghan forces have handed together to face Afghanistan with challenges. Chief of Army Staff General Qalam Shah Wali told the press on Saturday that the Afghan army chief who was speaking at the graduation of about 3,000 officers and soldi- ers at Kabul Military Training Center (KMT) said: “we are ready to defend every corner of our country.”

China to Build 10,000 Apartments in Kabul

KARUL - People’s Republic of China is building 10,000 apartments in Kabul which would be provided to government officials on long-term installment payments. Minister of Urban Development Ahmad Wali said it is the second biggest housing project in Afghan- stan after the assistance of former Soviet Union.

USAID, Agriculture Ministry to Continue Support Afghan Farmers

KARUL - The Agriculture Ministry and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) on Saturday signed an agreement to further support Agriculture farmers and the agricultural sector. The minister Ahmadullah, Zamir and USAID mission di- rector Herbert Smith agreed on the implementation of the Regional Agricultural Development Projects (RADP) 2015 Work Plan, according to a statement by the Ministry of Agriculture in Kabul.

Anti-Unemployment Movement Closed Door of MoLSAM

KARUL - Anti-unemployment movement closed the door of Afghanistan’s Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs, and Vocational Education, Daud Dkhel MAQOOR on Sunday to protest for the lack of employment opportunities for Afghan youths. The movement believes the only means behind migration, addiction, and insurgencies is the lack of employment opportunities and poverty in the country.

The youth are the source of continuing their protests if the government continues this catastrophic in the society. The government and social affi- liates do not give these people a positive response. They will continue their protests.”