KABUL — Members of Wolesi Jirga (Lower House of Parliament) on Saturday reacted to President Ashraf Ghani’s decree on the amendment of the electoral law – which is considered a critical step in bringing reforms in the electoral bodies of Afghanistan. “The majority...have rejected the order, because our term has ended and we cannot approve legislation,” said Nasir Orzooq, head of the legislative committee of the Wolesi Jirga. “We are not authorised to include the order into the agenda, as per guidelines of the constitution, therefore, we cannot approve or reject a legislation in an order,” said Amalullah Safi, an MP from Sar-e-Pul. Meanwhile, Wolesi Jirga Speaker Abdul Rashid Broome said “Because for 21 years of war, the decree was rejected by a majority of votes.” This comes after the Wolesi Jirga rejected Ghani’s decree on the amendment of the law on election functions and responsibilities of electoral commissions last week. A number of lawmakers meanwhile rejected Saturday’s move by their colleagues and said it will delay the electoral reform process. The [Government Online]"}

IMP Gives $75m Bonus to Afghanistan after Revenue Surge

KABUL — The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has provided $75 million in bonus to Afghanistan after the country’s domestic revenue rose by 25 per cent this year, compared to the previous year. Special programme head, Pierre-André Mauduit Hakimi said the revenue collection target for Afghanistan in 2021 was 16.52 billion Afghani but the government collected 18.57 billion Afghani. The country’s revenue in 2020 was 15.08 billion Afghani. The minister said despite the incidents of insecurity and other challenges, including the closure of the Khan Poshtet, Afghanistan’s revenue dramatically increased in 2021. Hakimi said building pressure on customs officers to improve their performance and transparency in their affairs, increased. [Online on P4U]

Parliament Objects Russia’s Contacts with Taliban

KABUL — Parliament on Saturday objected Russia’s contacts with Taliban calling it interference in Afghan affairs. While raising questions over the contacts, parliamentarians said this is fight between two super powers and Afghans are not able to stand in reality. "There are concerns that Afghanistan might become a battlefield for the world powers," said MP Sayed Mohammed Haiman, adding that "Taliban of the people would resemble to that of Iraq and Syria." Shokhery Karami, another Member of Parliament said Russia does not trust the government of Afghanistan. That is why it has established contacts with Taliban," she said. MP Zibar Sadeq while directly criticizing the remarks of Zainab Kabir, said, "There are no good and bad among terrorists." MPs raised concern after Zainab Kabir, a Russian diplomat and President Vladimir Putin’s special envoy to Afghanistan insisted that they exchange information with Taliban regarding the terrorist group of Islamic State (IS or Daesh). However, such contacts have been rejected by the Taliban. "We are having talks, but not about fighting IS. We want foreign forces out of our country, that is what we are talking about at the moment," a Taliban spokesman told Al Jazeera. "ISIL fighters are a small bunch based only in Nangarhar (province) and are not a big or a strong group that we would be threatened with."

Gen. Rahmoel to Discuss Peace, Border Issues in Kabul

KABUL — Pakistan’s Chief of Army Staff, Gen. Ashfaq Parvez Kayani, is scheduled to arrive in Kabul on Sunday (today) where he will hold talks with top Afghan officials on matters of strategic significance, such as security, border cooperation and the much-delayed peace negotiation talks with the Taliban. Anger at the killing of Afghan police by Taliban fighters has led to the trip by Kayani as part of Islamabad’s commitment to bringing meaningful progress in the faltering peace negotiation talks with the Taliban. A series of violence and Taliban attacks across the country. [Online on P4U]

Air Raids and Military Operations Stepped up in Sangin

KANDAHAR — Local security officials said Sunday that as raids by Afghan forces and ground forces operatives by Afghan Special Forces units have intensified in a bid to regain control in the embattled Sangin district, in southern Helmand province. The officials also said that Talibans have been hit hard for security. [Online on P4U]

US, UN, China Welcome Modi-Sharif Meeting

WASHINGON D.C. - The US, UN and China on Saturday welcomed Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s surprise visit to Pakistan, saying improved ties between the two neighbours will benefit the entire region. We welcome the December 25 visit between PM Modi and PM Nawaz Sharif. Better relations between neighbours. [Online on P4U]
Afghan Military Kills 35 Insurgents

KABUL - The Afghan National Security Forces (ANSF) have killed 35 suspected Taliban insurgents during three separate operations, the Defense Ministry said on Saturday. "In the last 24 hours, the ANSF carried out clearance operations in Paktya, Wardak, Farah, Taliban and Helmand provinces, killing 35 suspected Taliban insurgents in different areas," the ministry said in a statement.

The joint forces also discovered and disarmed several rounds of light and heavy ammunition, the statement said. The ministry also confirmed the loss of five Afghan personnel during clashes in the operations and a report of separatist attacks across the country over the past week.

The Taliban militant group has yet to make comment. (Reuters)

Strong Earthquake Jolts Northeastern Afghanistan, 37 Injured

KABUL - An earthquake with a magnitude of 6.2 on the Richter scale struck northeastern Afghanistan Friday night, leaving at least 35 people injured, with scores left in the Panjshir valley and Balkh capital of Maimana Febru. The quake, with a depth of 208.3 km, struck northeast of Afghanistan's Nahrin, close to the border with Tajikistan and Pakistan at 21:44, according to the U.S. Geological Survey. The report said that there were immediate reports of damage and casualties.

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Bomb Blast Kills Community Elder in Nangarhar

JALALABAD - A roadside bomb exploded on Saturday, killing a community elder in eastern Nangarhar province, officials said. The incident took place in Daman area of Behshad District on Friday afternoon.

Abdullah Niazai, added that the community elder was killed while he was driving in a vehicle which was road-side bomb. According to Niazai, the community elder, who hailed from Daman's Niazai District, died on the spot and another person driving with him in the same vehicle sustained injuries.

The community elder had reportedly helpful tribal leaders to make a dispute.

Motives behind the attack are unknown. However, security agencies have launched investigations into the case. This comes about two weeks after an anti-child family was killed in the same district. The killer who is now in police custody, had told investigators that he killed him to stop his step-son and his family's land dispute. (Reuters)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)

Impatience is a major factor that you are growing tired of today, especially if you are trying to accomplish a mundane task. Your inquisitive nature is now taking over your personality, making you uncomfortable. While you may feel that you are accomplishing nothing, your efforts are not going unnoticed by many.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 20)

Previous negotiations between the two sides may have ramped up your aggression a little more and in return, the party you are dealing with may be feeling the same. Don’t panic and overreact, even if you can’t always control your emotions.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)

It’s often difficult for you to speed up and maintain your pace as you have too many plans through to your completion. Unfortu- nately, when you try to meet these deadlines, your efforts may have more into than you expected. Now of other’s work will keep you busy throughout the day, so still have to slacken the back button. Stick with your tasks and be patient, your efforts will finally bear fruit.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)

You need to exploit today to show your family and friends how much you appreciate it. You might feel that your efforts are not being recognized, but they are.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

You have been facing some problems in your family and friends, but this is nothing new. Your efforts have been working against your interests, but on most occasions, you have not been able to control your emotions.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

You might have to attend a big event and their plans to reconvene a budget - at least for a while. If you feel that the trends are not moving along, you can make adjustments to close your line and lower your anxiety.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Your friends and relations are not supporting you in the way that you think today. However, you can approach anbekering, especially if you have lunch together.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)

Your efforts have not been too fruitful as you have been facing some problems in your area. However, you are still trying to push your efforts to the limit, but you need to be patient and wait it out.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

A steady hand might be required today as you are gearing up to some work, but don’t be too concerned. It’s natural for you to be thinking about this project at all times.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)

You normally possess the good sense to be aware of the motives behind your actions, and in return, you will never find yourself in trouble. However, you may be getting a bit too involved in a project or else you are feeling apprehensive about something.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)

Managing your work and your career is growing increasingly difficult as you struggle to make progress. However, now that you are doing a significant amount of work, you are feeling the need to be out of the door.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Your schedule has grown complex as you are feeling congested due to the demands of your work. You might be feeling overwhelmed and out of control, but you need to focus your efforts and make a decision.

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A briefing presented by the Defense Ministry said the American soldiers who took the battle against the Taliban to Afghanistan had been killed in the aftermath of the September 11 attacks in the country. Afghan forces have responsibility to handle the situation, but it was not clear if the military had taken any action to prevent the massacre. (AP, Reuters)

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Indo-Afghan Strategic Partnership

By Abdul Ahad Brahmi

Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s visit marked a significant milestone in the Indo-Afghan relationship. During Prime Minister Modi’s visit, the Indian parliament was inaugurated and the country delivered three crucial speeches to the Afghan people. The Indian prime minister, Mr. Modi, declared on the regional and Afghanistan’s national commitment to cooperate and keep the peace in Afghanistan. He said that a secure and stable Afghanistan is a vital interest of India, as it provides a safe haven for drug production. The visit of the Indian Prime Minister to Afghanistan is overwhelmingly hailed by Afghans and the region. It has a political and national security impact on Afghanistan. India has a major presence in Afghanistan’s economy. Many Indian companies have won contracts to build roads and transport projects in Afghanistan. During his visit, Prime Minister Modi is also expected to provide additional aid for Afghanistan’s reconstruction and economic growth.

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11. **Reflexes**

Reflexes are the automatic, involuntary actions of the homeostatic reserves of the central nervous system in response to stimuli. The response is a coordinated, efficient change in the body's attitude or function to maintain the state of equilibrium or stability. This includes mechanisms such as the autonomic nervous system, the endocrine system, and various reflex arcs. Reflexes are essential for maintaining vital functions, ensuring survival, and allowing the body to react quickly to changing environmental conditions.

12. **Gen Rehuel**

Gen Rehuel, Academy of Sciences, and Industry of Investigators, a leading figure in the field of neuroscience, discusses the implications of recent research on neural plasticity and the potential for therapeutic interventions. His work focuses on understanding the mechanisms of learning, memory, and recovery from brain injuries, with a particular emphasis on developing novel approaches for neurological disorders.

13. **Domesticity**

Domesticity involves the management and organization of the home and family life. It includes tasks such as cooking, cleaning, childcare, and managing household expenses. Many individuals, especially women, are responsible for ensuring the smooth functioning of the home, providing emotional support, and facilitating family relationships. The concept of domesticity has evolved over time, reflecting changes in social norms and economic conditions.

14. **Economy**

Economy refers to the system of production, distribution, and consumption of goods and services within a country or region. It encompasses various sectors such as agriculture, manufacturing, services, and trade. Economic policies and decisions have significant impacts on employment, income distribution, and overall wellbeing. Understanding economic principles and strategies is crucial for sustainable growth and development.

15. **Outlook**

Outlook refers to a forward-looking perspective, often in the context of economic, political, or social trends. It involves analyzing past data to predict future outcomes, considering various factors such as market conditions, policy changes, and global events. A positive outlook can encourage investment and innovation, while a negative outlook may lead to caution and retrenchment.

16. **December 27, 2015**

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**US Rejects Russian Proposal to Share Intelligence on Daesh Positions**

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The United States has been providing intelligence to the Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), a U.S.-backed coalition of Kurdish and Arab fighters, to help them target Islamic State fighters in Syria. However, Russian officials have proposed sharing intelligence with their Syrian partners, the Syrian government and the Syrian military, to help them target Islamic State fighters in Syria.

The U.S. decision came after Russian President Vladimir Putin said during a phone call with U.S. President Joe Biden that Moscow was willing to share intelligence with the United States to help target Islamic State fighters in Syria.

U.S. National Security Adviser Jake Sullivan said on Friday that the United States had rejected Russia's proposal to share intelligence with the Syrian government and military.

**Russian Troops Are in the Region**

Russia has been increasingly involved in the conflict in Syria, with Russia's forces providing support to the Syrian government and the Turkish-backed Syrian National Army (SNA) in northern Syria.

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Afghan Taliban Snubs Russia and Denies Coordination against IS

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Obama Honors ‘Outstanding, Brave’ Troops Killed in Afghan Attack

WASHINGTON — President Obama remembered the six outstanding, brave men and women killed in a terror attack in Afghanistan this week, in a Christmas message to U.S. troops in harm’s way.

As we know, when you’re deployed overseas, it’s lonely. Obama said during a visit to Marine Corps Base (Ike) in Kandahar Airfield.

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Lagham Residents Concerned Over Daesh Activities

MIRABADAM, A number of Lagham residents have raised concerns over the presence of alleged Daesh fighters in the eastern province as officials said the insurgent group has recently moved to the area. Residents said security threats in Lagham district are on the rise due to Daesh fighters. This after the district was one of the most secure in Laghman, because of the presence of the local and national government forces. However, there is a strong council of people who said it is not safe for people to live in the district.

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US PSR Warning-Headed Policy in Pakistan

WASHINGTON — The United States has been preparing a wide-ranging policy against Pakistan for several years, an American political analyst and author said. Mark Warner, the director of the Institute for Historical Review, made the remarks in an interview with Voice of America about the situation in Pakistan.

Warner said that the situation in Pakistan is critical and that American policy makers should take immediate action to stabilize the situation.

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