

Preface

The 44-day Patriotic War put an end to the protracted occupation of Azerbaijan's lands. The liberated territories are now being revived and regenerated under the direct leadership of President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev.

The nearly 30-year occupation of 20 per cent of Azerbaijan's territories had disastrous consequences for our historical and cultural heritage. Analysis shows that the Armenian side destroyed Azerbaijan's monuments on an even greater scale in the period after the fighting had ended, in other words, during the 26 years that followed the 1994 cease-fire.

The Armenian side began a large-scale war against Azerbaijan at the end of 1991 in order to realize their illegal and baseless territorial claims. As a result, Armenia occupied a significant part of Azerbaijan's territory, which was rich in natural resources and cultural heritage. Tens of thousands of people lost their lives in the war, and cities, towns, and villages were destroyed by Armenian vandalism. Over 700,000 Azerbaijanis were ethnically cleansed from the occupied territories as a whole and the region's infrastructure was severely damaged.

More than 700 historical monuments, 22 museums including 100,000 museum exhibits, 927 libraries, 58 archaeological sites, 26 fortresses and fortress walls, and other cultural monuments were appropriated, looted, and destroyed.

The policy of the deliberate destruction of heritage during the occupation struck a blow to both Azerbaijan's culture and world civilization, and the damage has yet to be repaired. Armenia deliberately changed the cultural appearance of residential areas in the occupied territories, destroyed monuments, changed architectural features, and conducted archaeological digs with the aim of eliminating all the signs that these belong to Azerbaijan.

However, on 27 September 2020, the Azerbaijan Army counterattacked along the front in order to prevent Armenia's aggression and began to liberate the territories occupied by Armenia during the First Karabakh War in the early 1990s. The war lasted 44 days and was named the Patriotic War. Led by the Azerbaijan Republic's President, the Victorious Supreme Commander Ilham Aliyev, the Glorious Azerbaijan Army showed its strength and achieved victory for Azerbaijan. Immediately after the Azerbaijan Army liberated the city of Shusha, considered Azerbaijan's capital of culture, on 10 November 2020, a trilateral statement was signed by Azerbaijan, Armenia, and Russia, and, as a result, Azerbaijan's territorial integrity was restored on 1 December.

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev confirmed a new Karabakh and East Zangazur economic region by decree on 7 July 2021. The Karabakh part of the region consists of the city of Khankandi and districts of Aghjabadi, Aghdam, Barda, Fuzuli, Khojaly, Khojavand, Shusha, and Tartar. At the same time, East Zangazur is made up of Jabrayil, Kalbajar, Gubadli, Lachin, and Zangilan districts. A rapid process of revival and regeneration is underway in Karabakh and East Zangazur.

The information bulletin *Since the Victory* provides an official record of the revival and regeneration process in our liberated territories.

Each issue of the bulletin is published in four languages – Azerbaijani, Russian, English, and Spanish – and covers six months, coming out twice a year in January and July.



“Now the Great Return program to Karabakh is being implemented. Hopefully, in time, we will run a second Great Return program. I am sure, that day will come and Western Azerbaijanis will return to their native land and will live there with great enthusiasm and eagerness.”

Ilham Aliyev
President of the Republic of Azerbaijan



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Acquaintance with a Project of the Creativity Development Center Named after Kurmangazy

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and President of the Republic of Kazakhstan Kassym-Jomart Tokayev have viewed a project of the Creativity Development Center named after Kurmangazy on August 24, which will be built for children in the city of Fuzuli by the "BI Group" Holding of Kazakhstan.

Chairman of the Board of Directors of the "BI Group" Holding Aidyn Rakhimbayev informed the heads of state that the project consists of four significant directions: music, modern technologies, art, and creativity, as well as, sports-playgrounds. Modern architectural buildings and an amphitheater will be built on an area of 2 hectares, there will be all conditions to reveal and develop children's creativity.



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Azerbaijani Army Units Entered Lachin City

Under the instruction of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Supreme Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, Mr. Ilham Aliyev, the Azerbaijani Army Units on 26 August, took complete control of Lachin city, as well as Zabukh and Sus settlements.

Currently, measures to station Azerbaijani Army Units to new deployment points, as well as carry out the necessary engineering work are underway in these territories.



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Trilateral Meeting in Brussels

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev, who is on a working visit to Brussels, the capital of the Kingdom of Belgium, at the invitation of President of the European Council Charles Michel on August 31, has held a meeting with President of the European Council Charles Michel and Prime Minister of Armenia Nikol Pashinyan.



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Armenian Armed Forces Committed Large-Scale Provocations in Dashkasan, Kalbajar, and Lachin Directions

During the night of September 12, the Armenian armed forces units committed large-scale provocations in the Dashkasan, Kalbajar, and Lachin directions of the Azerbaijani-Armenian state border.

At night, the sabotage groups of the Armenian armed forces using the mountainous terrain of the area and the existing ravine gaps mined the territories and supply roads between the positions of the Azerbaijan Army Units in different directions.

The confrontation occurred as a result of urgent measures taken by the Azerbaijan Army Units in order to immediately suppress these actions. The Armenian armed forces stationed in the directions of Basarkechar, Istisu, Garakilsa, and Gorus settlements using various caliber weapons and mortars subjected to intensive fire in some positions, shelters, and strongholds of the Azerbaijan Army in the territory of Dashkasan, Kalbajar and Lachin regions. As a result, there were losses among the military personnel, the military infrastructure was damaged.

The Azerbaijan Army Units deployed in these directions took decisive retaliatory measures in order to suppress provocations committed by the Armenian armed forces and military threats to the territory and sovereignty of Azerbaijan, to ensure the safety of the military personnel, including civilian workers involved in infrastructure work in the territory of Kalbajar and Lachin regions. Necessary measures were taken to suppress the shooting positions of the Armenian armed forces and to prevent the expansion of the scale of the confrontation. There were losses among the manpower and combat equipment of the Armenian armed forces involved in sabotage operations.

In general, over the past month, provocations of the Armenian armed forces in the direction of Lachin, Gadabay, Dashkasan and Kalbajar regions of the state border, cases of shelling of the positions of the Azerbaijan Army in the territory of these regions using various caliber weapons were of intensive and systematic nature. At the same time, it was being observed that Armenia concentrated offensive weapons, heavy artillery, and military personnel along the borders of Azerbaijan. All these facts once again demonstrate that Armenia was getting prepared for a large-scale military provocation. By taking such actions, Armenia was also aiming to slow down the implementation of large-scale civil infrastructure projects carried out by Azerbaijan in the border areas liberated from occupation and to maintain a tense atmosphere near Azerbaijan's borders.

The Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Azerbaijan declared that the military-political leadership of Armenia bears the entire responsibility for the provocations, confrontation, and losses.



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Convening an Operational Meeting with the Participation of the Leadership of the Armed Forces

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces Ilham Aliyev held an operational meeting with the participation of the leadership of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Azerbaijan on September 13, regarding the provocations committed by Armenia on the Armenia-Azerbaijan border.

Relevant reports were presented at the meeting, also it was stated that the provocations perpetrated by the Armenian armed forces on the border of the two states were prevented, all relevant duties and tasks were fulfilled, and the responsibility for the current tension rests squarely with the political leadership of Armenia.



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Bilateral Meeting in Samarkand

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev met with President of the Russian Federation Vladimir Putin on September 16, in Samarkand. During the meeting President Vladimir Putin asserted his pleasure for seeing President Ilham Aliyev on the sidelines of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, at the summit of this organization, after touching on inter-organizational and bilateral relations, he expressed serious concerns over the aggravation of the situation on the Armenia-Azerbaijan border, he also stated that he spoke with Armenian Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan about the issue and only through a coordinated effort the escalation was finally been able to stop.

President Ilham Aliyev in turn implied to developing bilateral relations after the signing of the Declaration on allied interaction and expressed his gratitude to President Vladimir Putin for prompt response to the aggravation and escalation on the Armenia-Azerbaijan border. President Ilham Aliyev stated the clashes lasted less than eight hours and the ceasefire regime was already been observed, but the main thing for the moment was not to disrupt the beginning process of normalization of relations and to start moving in this direction. Welcoming the efforts of Russia towards this, including those made within the framework of the tripartite commission at the level of deputy prime ministers of Russia, Azerbaijan, and Armenia for transport communications, within the framework of the delimitation process, as well as plans to start negotiations on a peace agreement, President Ilham Aliyev once again declared Azerbaijan's commitment to the trilateral documents that were signed by Russia, Azerbaijan and Armenia after the second Karabakh war, and readiness to do everything to ensure the stability in the Caucasus.



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Acquaintance with the Newly-Built Tunnel on the Kalbajar-Lachin Highway

On September 21, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan İlham Aliyev viewed the construction of the 2.400-meter-long entrance tunnel to the Lachin International Airport on the 35th km of the Kalbajar-Lachin highway. The Kalbajar-Lachin highway, which is 76.3 kilometers long, starts from Qamishli village in the Kalbajar district and passes through the territory of the Lachin district. The new road will provide easy access to many residential areas of these regions, as well as to the center of the region and the newly constructed Lachin International Airport.

If the existing road through mountain passes is used excessive slip zones will be encountered. In the winter season, the safe operation of the road may not be possible in weather conditions of heavy snowfall and frost. In this regard, a decision was made to bypass these mountain passes directly through the tunnels. The 11.60 meters wide tunnels will have one lane in one direction. The total length of the tunnels will be 7596.5 meters. The construction work on 5 (T1, T2, T5, T6, and T7) out of 12 car tunnels intended to be built along the road is being successfully carried out.

The length of the first tunnel (T1), built on the Kalbajar-Lachin road is 187 meters. In tunnel T2 which is 354.4 meters long, in the direction of the entrance 115.8 meters of excavation work was carried out. In tunnel T5 with a length of 448.7 meters, in the direction of the exit 331 meters of excavation work has been completed. The length of tunnel T6 is 612.4 meters. In this tunnel, a total of 537.4 meters of excavation work was carried out in both directions. Tunnel T7 is being built with a length of 2420.1 meters. In total, 532 meters of excavation work was completed in both directions of the tunnel. In these tunnels, with the use of excavation, blasting and crushing methods work on the removal of rock continues in both directions, including the entrance and exit. In other planned tunnels, the process is planned to start in stages. The T3 tunnel will be 900.2 meters, the T4 tunnel 853.7 meters, the T8 tunnel 230 meters, the T9 tunnel 700 meters, the T10 tunnel 200 meters, the T11 tunnel 320 meters, and the T12 tunnel 370 meters long.

The preparation of the subgrade foundation along the Kalbajar-Lachin highway, the formation of the slope, and construction work on laying 12 rectangular and 4 round pipes are underway. This highway connecting Kalbajar and Lachin regions is being built in accordance with the first, second, and third technical categories with 2, 3, and 4 lanes. In order to ensure the passage of water under the road in the first 38 kilometers of highway 60 round pipes with a total length of 3348 meters, as well as 9 automobile bridges with a total length of 1038 meters in the necessary places will be built.



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Raising the Flag of Azerbaijan in the City of Lachin

On September 21, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev raised the flag of Azerbaijan in the city of Lachin. In his speech President Ilham Aliyev asserted that at the end of the 44-day Patriotic War, Armenia was forced to sign an act of capitulation, thus acknowledging Azerbaijan's historic victory and as a result of capitulation, Armenia had to remove its troops from the occupied parts of the Aghdam, Kalbajar, and Lachin districts.

According to the statements by the head of state, part of the Lachin and Kalbajar districts had been liberated during the 44-day Patriotic War. The southern part of Lachin and the northern part of Kalbajar were freed from the occupiers by the victorious Azerbaijani army. However, the city of Lachin was not under our control. The reason for that was the construction of an alternative automobile road connecting Armenia with Khankendi. After the construction of an alternative road for a year and eight months period, on 26 August, the Azerbaijani Army entered the city of Lachin, and we regained the city of Lachin.

President Ilham Aliyev stated: "Let me also note that together with the city of Lachin, the villages of Zabukh and Sus were also liberated from the invaders on 26 August. So, we should never forget all this history. We are standing on these lands today at the cost of the lives and blood of our martyrs, thanks to the dedication of our heroic soldiers and officers. Now is the time to restore the city of Lachin. Preparations for this are already underway. I sent several groups here immediately after 26 August, an analysis will be conducted of the entire housing fund, and damage will be assessed. At the same time, proposals will be prepared for urgent work to be started. The city of Lachin, and the villages of Zabukh and Sus will be rebuilt.

I want to repeat once more that I am proud to have raised our national flag in the center of the city of Lachin. This flag will fly here forever! We will live here forever! Long live, Lachin! Long live Azerbaijan!



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Groundbreaking Ceremony of the “Lachin” Junction Substation

On September 21, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the 110/35/10 kV “Lachin” junction substation to be built by AzerEnergy Open Joint Stock Company in the city of Lachin and laid the foundation of the substation. While informing the head of state about the “Lachin” junction substation, the president of AzerEnergy Open Joint Stock Company Baba Rzayev stated that in order to connect the city of Lachin and surrounding villages to the common energy system of Azerbaijan, and to provide an uninterrupted and sustainable supply of electricity the digital substation is planned to be built at the southern entrance to the city which will be constructed according to a project agreed with the Committee for Urban Planning and Architecture.

The substation with a total capacity of 80 megavolt-amperes will perform a node function. Thus, a 110-kV double-circuit line from the “Shukurbeyli” substation in Fuzuli to the “Jabrayil”, “Zangilan”, “Gubadli” substations, and from there to the “Gulabird” hydroelectric power station, a 110-kV double-circuit line from the “Dashkesan” substation to the “Kalbajar” and “Gorchu” substations, as well as a 110-kV double-circuit line from the “Shukurbeyli” substation to the “Fuzuli” and “Shusha” substations will be connected to the “Lachin” city substation. Thus, a circular electric power supply for substations built after the 44-day Patriotic War in Karabakh and East Zangezur, as well as newly-built two-circuit high voltage lines with a length of more than 400 kilometers will be created. If an accident occurs in one of the high-voltage lines located in the liberated territories, then the voltage will be immediately supplied through the lines coming from another direction. So, there will be no power outages in Karabakh and East Zangezur.

At this substation which is of strategic importance, a Control Center equipped with modern systems of digital control, security, and microprocessor-type automation, direct and alternating current devices, 35-kV and 10-kV closed switchgears, as well as 110-kV open switchgear consisting of the most modern equipment will be created, and a special dormitory building will be built for working personnel. To monitor the operation of the substation in real time and to transfer indicators to the SCADA system of “Azerenergy” OJSC, a local micro-SCADA dispatch control system will be established and the center of the energy system will be integrated into the SCADA system. In order to ensure fire safety at the “Lachin” junction substation, a pumping station, a fire basin, an emergency oil collector, fire protection and fire alarm systems will also be installed.



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Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva's Visit to the Fuzuli District

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva visited the Fuzuli district on September 27. The head of state and the First Lady laid flowers on a memorial plaque for 27 September-Remembrance Day in Garakhanbayli village, Fuzuli district. In front of the memorial plaque, President Ilham Aliyev wished peace for the souls of our martyrs and affirmed that on Remembrance Day all Azerbaijani people commemorate the dear memory of our martyrs. President Ilham Aliyev stated: “Our martyrs sacrificed their lives for the Motherland. We are proud of them. We are proud of our heroic soldiers and officers. The blood of our martyrs did not remain unavenged, we have avenged the blood of our martyrs. We took our revenge on the battlefield. We freed our native lands from the enemy and restored the territorial integrity of our country.”

Emphasizing that the 44-day Patriotic War is our glorious history, President Ilham Aliyev during his speech noted that: “In honor of our martyrs, this monument, this piece of stone, has been erected here near the village of Garakhanbayli. Garakhanbayli and five other villages were liberated on the first day of the Second Karabakh War. Garakhanbayli, Garvand, Horadiz, Yukhari Abdurrahmanli – the villages of Fuzuli district, and the villages of Jabrayil district – Boyuk Marjanli and Nuzgar – were liberated on the first day of the war. We lost the first martyrs exactly here, in this place. The enemy's trench was located next to this monument. There were five or six lines of defense in this direction. Azerbaijani soldiers and officers looked death in the eye as they broke through this and subsequent defense lines. They were literally facing death, sacrificing their lives so that our tricolor flag could fly in Shusha and all other lands that were occupied at the time. They sacrificed their lives so that the people of Azerbaijan could restore their dignity, restore justice and return our people to these lands.”

President Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva then observed a moment of silence at 12:00 to honor the memory of the Patriotic War martyrs on the occasion of Remembrance Day.



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Visit to Yukhari Govhar Agha Mosque

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva visited the Yukhari Govhar Agha Mosque in the city of Shusha on September 27 and viewed the reconstruction and restoration work being carried out here by the Heydar Aliyev Foundation.

Informing the head of state and the First Lady about the work, assistant to the President of Azerbaijan Anar Alakbarov reported that the restoration work in the historical Yukhari Govhar Agha Mosque started in November 2021. The conservation and restoration work in the Yukhari Govhar Agha Mosque, which was destroyed by Armenians during the occupation of the city of Shusha, are carried out in accordance with the original architectural style by a consortium of companies from Azerbaijan, Italy and Türkiye and with the financial support of Pasha Holding. The restoration process is carried out under the supervision of the Austrian Wehdorn Architekten company.

To analyze and achieve the correct methods of conservation, samples of the solution, plaster, natural stone, brick, wood, and paint taken from the mosque are delivered to the Ahmet Refik Ersen Restoration and Conservation laboratory attached to Fatih Sultan Mehmet Vakıf University in Türkiye.

Up until today, reinforcement work has been carried out in the mosque. The interventions carried out in the mosque during the Armenian occupation have been eliminated. Plastering works have been completed on the facade and inside the building. Painting of the minarets has begun. At present, stone cutting and figure-making of window frames from pieces of raft rock brought to Baku from the city of Shusha are being continued in the workshop. Restoration work is planned to be completed by the end of 2023.



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Acquaintance with the Construction Progress at New Residential Complex in Shusha

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva on September 27, viewed the construction progress of a new residential complex in the city of Shusha.

Informing the head of state and the First Lady about the work, Special Representative of the President in The Shusha district Aydin Karimov reported that the construction area covers about 8 hectares. The residential complex will feature 23 buildings. The construction of eight buildings began on July 1 of this year, and the construction of the remaining 15 buildings started on September 1.

The complex will include a total of 450 apartments. The number of one-room apartments is 28, two-room apartments- 195, three-room apartments- 190, four-room apartments- 30, and five-room apartments is 7. The buildings will be 3 storeys and 5 storeys. All conditions required for the comfortable living of residents will be created in the complex. Extensive renovation and landscaping work will be carried out on the territory.



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Acquaintance with the Construction Work at Shusha Hotel and Conference Center

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva on September 27, viewed the progress of construction work at the hotel and conference center in the city of Shusha.

Informing the head of state and the First Lady about the work, Special Representative of the President in the Shusha district Aydin Karimov reported that the construction of the hotel and conference center, which occupies an area of more than 3 hectares, started this April. The center will be consisting of 154 rooms. There will be constructed a 400-seat conference hall, meeting rooms, restaurants, shops, underground and surface parking lots, and other essential infrastructures.

The construction of the Shusha hotel and conference center occupies an important place in the reconstruction works carried out with the aim of restoring the historical appearance of the city, returning its former glory, and reuniting it with its traditional cultural life. Shusha, which for centuries was one of the main centers on the Great Silk Road, had direct trade links with European and Eastern cities. Caravanserais were built for the storage of goods brought by merchants from these cities. From this point of view, the center was designed based on the concept of a caravanserai, as a synthesis of modern and national architectural styles. Elements of national architecture will be used in the exterior design. The facing of the facade will be made of Shusha stones which were used in the construction of the city's historical buildings.



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Acquaintance with the Conditions Created in the Building of the Special Representation of the President of Azerbaijan in the Shusha District

On September 27, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva viewed the conditions created in the building of the Special representation of the President of Azerbaijan in the Shusha district.

Informing the head of state and the First Lady about the work, Special Representative of the President in the Shusha district Aydin Karimov reported that the building was constructed in 1970. The renovation work in the building started in June 2021. The building has a total of 41 office rooms. All necessary conditions were created for the fruitful work of employees. The building also has assembly and conference halls.



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Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva Viewed the Progress of Restoration Work at Mehmandarovs' Estate Complex

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva viewed the progress of restoration work at the Mehmandarovs' Estate Complex on September 27.

Informing the head of state and the First Lady about the work, Special Representative of the President in the Shusha district Aydin Karimov reported that the estate complex was constructed by representatives of the Mehmandarov family in the 18th century. The complex, which belonged to the Mehmandarov family, includes large and small residential buildings, a family mosque, and a spring.

The Heydar Aliyev Foundation started repair and restoration work in the Mehmandarovs' estate complex, as well as in the family mosque and the spring of October 2021. The roofs of the house and the mosque were built in accordance with the original, the ceilings were restored and painted, doors and windows were installed. The destroyed wall was restored, and reinforcement work was carried out on the damaged wall. The rotten parts of the wooden structures of the balconies and bay windows were replaced. The exterior staircase of the house has been reconstructed, and broken parts of the floor slabs have been restored. On the basis of conceptual designs, the paintings on the walls and ceilings were restored. Restoration work was carried out on the collapsed domes, the roof, the mihrab and the Guldeste minaret of the family mosque.

During the acquaintance with the restoration work, a spring, which is part of the Mehmandarovs' estate complex, was made available for usage. It was noted that the roof of the spring was restored to its former state.

Upon completion of the repair and restoration work, it is planned to create a museum exposition here, which will display and represent the house of a Shusha resident. It is planned to construct a working room equipped with objects reflecting the occupation, hobbies of the owner, a living room intended for receiving guests, considered the most luxurious room in the house and often decorated with wooden decorative panels and fabric wallpaper, a dining room and a bedroom. The restoration work is scheduled to be completed in 2023.



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Acquaintance with the Work Done at the Restored Hotel in Shusha

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva on September 27, viewed the work done at the restored hotel in Shusha.

Informing the head of state and the First Lady about the work, assistant to the President of Azerbaijan Anar Alakbarov reported that three residential buildings, which were built in the middle of the 19th century in the style of Karabakh architectural school and are under restoration, are planned to be put into operation as hotels. These buildings were destroyed and rendered unusable during the occupation. The interior of the hotel, which will be put into operation after the completion of the restoration work that began in May this year, will be made in an authentic style.

Reinforcement work of the foundations and walls of the buildings had been carried out, the part of the building destroyed during the occupation was rebuilt, and additional buildings constructed later were demolished. Reinforcement work on the walls of the unfinished building in the courtyard was carried out, a reinforced concrete roof was installed and its construction was completed. Repair and restoration work is expected to be completed by the end of 2023.



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Acquaintance with the Construction Work at the Building of Secondary School No1 in Shusha

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva viewed the progress of the construction work at a building of the secondary school No1 in the city of Shusha, on September 27.

Informing the head of state and the First Lady about the work, Special Representative of the President in the Shusha district Aydin Karimov reported that the construction of the school building, which covers an area of 4,300 square meters, started in October 2021. The school will accommodate 960 students. Comprehensive conditions for a high-quality educational process for students will be created here.



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Restoration Work Carried out in the Administrative Building of the Apartment Utility and Maintenance Service of the Shusha City State Reserve Department

On September 27, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva inquired about the restoration work to be carried out in the administrative building of the apartment utility and maintenance service of the Shusha City State Reserve Department. Special Representative of the President in the Shusha district Aydin Karimov informed the head of state and the First Lady about the work.



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Acquaintance with the Work Underway on the Barda-Aghdam Highway

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev on October 4, viewed the work underway on the Barda-Aghdam highway.

Informing the head of state about the technical indicators of the road and the work done there Chairman of the Board of Directors of Azerbaijan Highway State Agency Saleh Mammadov reported that the length of this road, which takes its beginning from the city of Barda, is 44.5 kilometers, and the width is 26.5 meters. 4 bridges, including 3 pedestrian overpasses will be constructed along the road. 29 bus stops are also being built on the highway. The construction of 14 of them has been completed. Road landscaping has been completed, and 75 percent of the total work has been carried out.



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Groundbreaking Ceremony of the Horse Breeding Center

A groundbreaking ceremony for the Horse Breeding Center has been held in Eyvazkhanbayli village of the Aghdam district. President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva attended the ceremony on October 4. President Ilham Aliyev laid the foundation of the Horse Breeding Center.

President Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva were informed of the Horse Breeding Center. The concept of the center was developed by Reflect Architects Company. Specially designed stables for 120 horses, breeding laboratories, a veterinary clinic, and other necessary facilities will be created in the center, which is located on 7 hectares of territory but is planned to be increased to 30 hectares. The center will include a hotel with 60-80 rooms, a museum, a cafe, a restaurant, and stands. Special training areas for riders- both professionals and amateurs, race tracks, and a platform for Chovkan competitions have been designed.



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Groundbreaking Ceremony of Khidirli Village, Aghdam District

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva on October 4, attended the groundbreaking ceremony for Khidirli village, Aghdam district. President Ilham Aliyev laid the foundation of Khidirli village.

Informing the President and the First Lady of the work to be done in the village, Special Representative of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan in the liberated territories of the Karabakh Economic Region (except the Shusha district) Emin Huseynov reported that 5990 people (1500 families) are planned to be settled in Khidirli village, which is located 3 kilometers far from the center of Aghdam city. The total projected area is 418 hectares. Taking into account the household load of the population that will live here, a land plot of 160 hectares was allocated for the first stage of the construction. At the first stage, 719 individual houses are planned to be built for 2951 people that will be resettled in the village.

All necessary conditions will be created in the village to ensure the employment of the population. It is planned to provide work for a total of 2595 people in cultural and entertainment centers, in religious, service, commercial institutions, and economic development facilities, in the areas of education, management, and agriculture.

Construction works in Khidirli will start on October 10 this year. The works in the village are scheduled to be completed on April 10, 2024.



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Groundbreaking Ceremony of Kangarli Village, Aghdam District

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva on October 4, attended the groundbreaking ceremony of Kangarli village, Aghdam district.

Informing the President and the First Lady of the work to be done in the village, Special Representative of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan in the liberated territories of the Karabakh Economic Region (except the Shusha district) Emin Huseynov reported that 2626 people (639 families) are planned to be settled in Kangarli village, which is located 6 kilometers far from Aghdam city. The total projected area is 177.2 hectares. Taking into account the household load of the population that will live here, a land plot of 66,2 hectares was allocated for the first stage of the construction. At the first stage, 290 individual houses are planned to be built for 1279 people that will be resettled in the village.

All necessary conditions will be created in the village to ensure the employment of the population. It is planned to provide jobs for a total of 1182 people in cultural and entertainment centers, in a number of institutions for various purposes, in economic development facilities, and in the areas of education, management and agriculture.

Construction works in the village will start on October 10 this year and are scheduled to be completed on April 10, 2024.



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Groundbreaking Ceremony of Internal Road and Communication Network of the City of Aghdam

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva attended a groundbreaking ceremony for the internal road and communication network of the city of Aghdam on October 4. President Ilham Aliyev laid the foundation of the internal road and communication network of the city of Aghdam.

Informing the President and the First Lady of the work to be done, Special Representative of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan in the liberated territories of the Karabakh Economic Region (except the Shusha district) Emin Huseynov reported that the 4-lane Barda-Aghdam highway connects with the intra-city road network of Aghdam. The total length of intra-city roads is 191.1 kilometers. In the initial stage, it is planned to build roads with a length of 121 kilometers. Intracity roads incorporate avenues of municipal significance of 1st category with a width of 55-60 meters and the 2nd category with a width of 40 meters, as well as streets and roads of municipal significance with a width of 34 meters and local significance with a width of 20-24 meters. The roads will be 2, 4, and 6-lane.



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Groundbreaking Ceremony of City Hotel Aghdam

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva attended the groundbreaking ceremony of City Hotel Aghdam on October 4. President Ilham Aliyev laid the foundation of City Hotel Aghdam.

Informing the President and the First Lady of the hotel to be constructed, CEO of PMD Projects Nariman Topchubashov reported that within the framework of rebuilding the concept of Aghdam an appropriate infrastructure is being created taking into account the tourism potential of the city. The hotel will be built according to modern standards, and all conditions will be created for the convenience of visitors visiting the region. Conference and banquet halls, fitness and spa centers, a restaurant, and an outdoor terrace will be created in a five-story hotel building that will feature 130 rooms.



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Acquaintance with Works to be Done in the Palace of Panahali Khan and Imarat Complex

On October 4, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva got acquainted with the works to be done in the Palace of Panahali Khan and Imarat Complex. The initial concept project for the Imarat Complex, where the palace of Panahali Khan is located, and restoration work in which has been started according to the relevant order of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev, was developed by Italy's "ArtCloud Network International s.c.r.l." company. According to the original concept, the complex will consist of the palace of Panakhali Khan, a tomb, a ticket office, an information center, and a park for Karabakh horses. The Palace of Panakhali Khan will be restored and will function as an interactive museum.

The restoration and conservation work to be carried out in this complex will be led by cultural heritage program manager Alessandro Bianchi. He was engaged in restoration and conservation work not only in Italy, but also in Turkey, Georgia, Israel, Iraq, Albania, Ethiopia, and other countries, and he also participated as a specialist in projects, trainings, and programs of many international organizations. The financial means required for the initial works on the design of the complex will be allocated as a grant by the Karabakh Revival Foundation.



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Unveiling Ceremony of the Mausoleum of Khurshidbanu Natavan

On October 4, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva unveiled the mausoleum of Khurshidbanu Natavan, a prominent representative of the 19th-century Azerbaijani romantic poetry, poet, artist, daughter of Khan.

In accordance with the implementation of the Decree of President Ilham Aliyev issued on March 14, 2022, which commemorates the 190th anniversary of Khurshidbanu Natavan this year, the Ministry of Culture has started work on the restoration of this tombstone.

The memorial of the poetess was sculpted by Kyanan Aliyev in accordance with its original form, made of gray granite, 350 centimeters high, and installed in its original place. The monument was built in Aghdam in 1982. Rafi Zeynalov who did the stonework for the memorial monument, which was designed by Eldzhan Shamilov, after 40 years undertook the same stonework for the construction of the monument.



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Groundbreaking Ceremony for Residential Block to be Constructed in Aghdam City

On October 4, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva attended the groundbreaking ceremony held for a residential block to be constructed for former IDPs in the city of Aghdam. President Ilham Aliyev laid the foundation of the residential block.

Informing the President and the First Lady about the work to be done in the block, Special Representative of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan in the liberated territories of the Karabakh Economic Region (except the Shusha district) Emin Huseynov reported that in order to ensure an effective and high standard of living for the population a residential area meeting modern requirements is planned to be built, which will be in accordance with the approved General plan of the city of Aghdam. For the construction of a residential block, the foundation of which has been laid, a land plot of 6.9 hectares has been allocated. The area is located in the northeast part of the city. It is surrounded from the east by the historical and archaeological site of Uzerliktepe, and from the west by the historical center of the city. A historical area called "Imaret" is also located not far from the block.

According to the project, 4-7 story residential buildings will be constructed. The buildings will feature 1.139 apartments. Some 3.068 people will be settled in the residential block. In accordance with the goal of creating a "green energy" zone on the territories liberated from occupation, conceptual solutions have been developed for the use of alternative energy sources in the energy supply of the block's buildings.

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Groundbreaking Ceremony of the Railway and Bus Station Complex in the City of Aghdam

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva on October 4, attended a groundbreaking ceremony for the Railway and Bus Station Complex in the city of Aghdam. President Ilham Aliyev laid the foundation of the complex.

The complex is designed to consist of two stories and a terrace, including a railway station and a bus station. The complex is designed in national architectural style as a single transport hub. At the same time, glass elements in the form of national ornaments will be widely used in the construction of the complex. The complex will expand the logistics capabilities of the Aghdam region. The railway station will enable the transportation of 800-1000 passengers on a daily basis. And the bus station will serve 1300-1500 passengers daily. Waiting rooms, ticket offices, medical and police stations, a mother-and-child room, a left-luggage office, technical rooms, shops, an entertainment area for children, a restaurant, and relaxation areas are planned to be constructed in the complex.

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Groundbreaking Ceremony of Sarijali Village, Aghdam District

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the Sarijali village of the Aghdam district on October 4. President Ilham Aliyev laid the foundation of Sarijali village.

Sarijali village is planned to accommodate 1,720 people (425 families). The total projected area is 101.9 hectares. Taking into account the household load of the population that will live here, a land plot of 50,3 hectares was allocated for the first stage of the construction.

At the first stage, 211 individual houses are planned to be built for 895 people that will be resettled in the village. All necessary conditions to ensure the employment of the population will be created in the village located 6 km from the city center. It is planned to provide jobs for a total of 774 people in cultural and entertainment centers, in a number of institutions for various purposes, in economic development facilities, and in the areas of education, management, and agriculture.



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Opening Ceremony of the Azerbaijan National Urban Forum

The Azerbaijan National Urban Forum on the “Sustainable Development Goals and the New Urban Agenda as engines of post-conflict reconstruction and rehabilitation” has got underway in Aghdam in partnership with the UN Human Settlements Program (UN-HABITAT), the State Committee on Urban Planning and Architecture of Azerbaijan and with the organizational support of the ADA University on October 5.

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva attended the Forum's opening ceremony. Welcoming Executive Director of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) Maimunah Mohd Sharif and other guests, President Ilham Aliyev delivered a speech at the forum which representatives of more than 40 countries attended and expressed his pleasure for organizing the Azerbaijan National Urban Forum in the location where Aghdam city was once situated. Noting nothing was left of the city that used to be full of life and was destroyed during the occupation, the head of state expressed his gratitude to the guests from different countries for coming there to see what has happened to the biggest city in the Karabakh region, which Aghdam used to be and to see what Azerbaijan is doing and what is planning to do in the coming years to return former IDPs to their homeland.

President Ilham Aliyev stated that Aghdam was not destroyed during the first Karabakh war, rather it was demolished stone by stone in the later years of occupation, all the buildings have been ruined and dismantled, stones have been stolen and sold out. Stating that the only half-destroyed building was the building of Juma Mosque, the head of state informed the guests that whatever they see in Aghdam they can see in every single village, in other parts of the Karabakh area as well.

President Ilham Aliyev expressed that now we are facing new but very pleasant challenges to rebuild Karabakh and Eastern Zangezur, to return people, and to create for former refugees and IDPs living in any region of Azerbaijan much better conditions.

Informing about the establishment of the first village in the Zangilan region and the return of the first IDPs this May, and the opening of a school in Zangilan this September the head of state asserted that we have concentrated and mobilized all our potential to return the former IDPs to their homes in liberated Aghdam. Large-scale infrastructure projects are underway. President Ilham Aliyev stated, “You have seen Fuzuli International Airport, which was built in 8 months. This month we plan to inaugurate Zangilan International Airport and, in 2025, International Airport in Lachin. The railroad from Barda to Aghdam will be operational next year. Yesterday I laid down the foundation of the new railway station. Thousands of kilometers of highways and thousands of kilometers of village roads are being constructed now. According to the investment plan, which has already been approved in the liberated territories of Karabakh and Eastern Zangezur, there will be 33 tunnels with a total length of more than 50 kilometers. There will be 84 bridges with a length of 12 km. These are only part of what we are now doing. We fully restored the electric supply to all the liberated areas. Hopefully, soon, in Jabrayil, we will start the construction of the solar power plant with a capacity of 230 megawatts. In general, we have evaluated the potential of renewable energy in liberated territories, and preliminary analysis shows it is almost 10.000 megawatts. We have already inaugurated several hydropower stations, and the total hydropower capacity will be more than 500 megawatts, and the rest will be solar and wind energy.”

Underlining the involvement of leading international companies in the preparation and approval of all General plans of the cities, President Ilham Aliyev emphasized: “So, we have already started here in Aghdam several housing projects. I was here yesterday for the groundbreaking ceremony of three villages, Khidirli, Kangarli, and Sarijali. Maximum in two years several thousand people will live in these villages. In the city of Aghdam, we are already building a school for almost one thousand children, which will be ready maybe this year, maybe next year, a hospital, and several housing projects. And this is only in Aghdam. At the same time, it is more or less happening in Fuzuli, Gubadli, and Zangilan. We are planning to restore the city of Lachin, where we returned just two months ago, by the end of next year. Because, as I said, there was an illegal settlement there. So, not all the buildings have been demolished. We have already sent a group of specialists there. So, we will rebuild Karabakh and Zangezur.”

Later Executive Director of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) Maimunah Mohd Sharif welcomed President Ilham Aliyev and the guests, expressed her gratitude for being invited to participate in the first Azerbaijan National Urban Forum held in Aghdam and congratulated the head of state on his determination and dedication to rebuilding the cities liberated from occupation. The forum continued its work with sessions.



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Bilateral Meeting in Prague

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev visited Prague to attend the “European Political Community” Summit at the invitation of President of the European Council Charles Michel and Prime Minister of the Czech Republic Petr Fiala.

On October 6, Azerbaijani President Ilham Aliyev had a meeting with the President of the European Council Charles Michel. The significance of the meetings held with the participation of Charles Michel in Brussels on the normalization of Armenian-Azerbaijani relations was underlined at the meeting. President Ilham Aliyev thanked Charles Michel for his mediation mission and stressed that Azerbaijan supports the Brussels format. Charles Michel expressed gratitude to the Azerbaijani President in this regard.



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Ilham Aliyev's Participation at the Inaugural Meeting of the European Political Community Summit in Prague

The inaugural plenary meeting of the European Political Community Summit was held on October 6 in Prague, the Czech Republic. President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev attended the meeting.

The European Political Community is a platform for political coordination. It aims to foster political dialogue and cooperation to address issues of common interest and strengthen the security, stability, and prosperity of the European continent.



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Ilham Aliyev's Participation in Roundtable Discussions on "Peace and Security on European Continent" in Prague

On October 6, roundtable discussions on "Peace and Security on the European continent" was held on the sidelines of the European Political Community Summit in Prague. President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev during the meeting stated that after the Second Karabakh War a new environment developed in the region. Despite the 30-year occupation by Armenia, the destruction, and the atrocities committed during the occupation, Azerbaijan came up with a proposal to sign a peace agreement with Armenia. The head of state asserted that this peace agreement is based on the 5 principles proposed by Azerbaijan - Mutual recognition of sovereignty, territorial integrity, inviolability of internationally recognized borders and political independence; Mutual confirmation of the absence of territorial claims against one another and the acceptance of a legal obligation associated with the waiver of such a claim in the future; Renunciation of acts like perpetrating a threat to the security of the other in interstate relations, the use of force and threats against the political independence and territorial integrity of one another, as well as other actions that do not follow UN Charter; Delimitation and demarcation of the state borders, the establishment of diplomatic relations; Opening of transport links and communications, the establishment of other relevant communications and initiation of cooperation in other areas of mutual interest.

In this context, stressing the importance of the meetings, held with the participation and at the initiative of the President of the European Council Charles Michel, in the normalization of relations between Azerbaijan and Armenia, also in the formation of the Brussels Peace Agenda, President Ilham Aliyev recalled that on October 2, the foreign ministers of both countries held a meeting in this regard. President Ilham Aliyev also noted that Azerbaijan supports the process of normalizing relations between Turkey and Armenia, he stressed that the process of normalization of relations between Azerbaijan and Armenia and the process of normalization of relations between Turkey and Armenia are complementary processes, a fact that can serve to ensure peace and security in the region as a whole.

To ensure peace and stability in the South Caucasus, the head of state emphasized the significance of creating a single Azerbaijan-Georgia-Armenia triple-format discussion platform for issues such as energy, communications, and others of mutual interest. In conclusion, President Ilham Aliyev once again noted the role of the principles of international law in interstate relations, in particular, he drew attention to the principle of territorial integrity. He emphasized the importance of an equal approach in relation to this principle and its privilege in interstate relations and also stated the importance of abandoning selective approaches in relation to this principle.

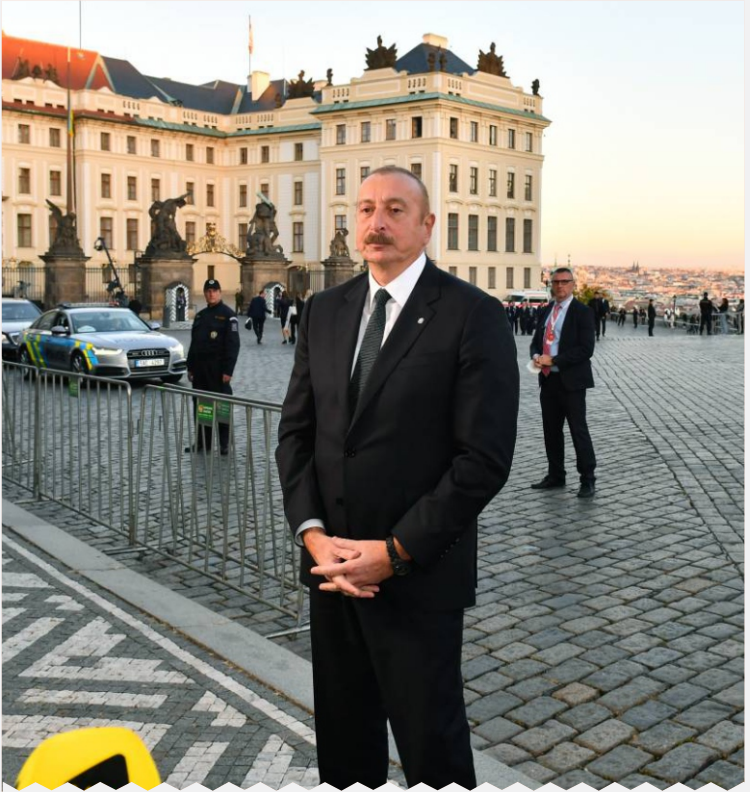


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Meeting on the Peace Process in Prague

A meeting of President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev with President of the French Republic Emmanuel Macron, President of the European Council Charles Michel, and Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia Nikol Pashinyan was held in Prague on October 6.



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Interview of President Ilham Aliyev with Azerbaijani TV Channels in Prague

The Azerbaijani TV channels on October 6 interviewed the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev in Prague. During the interview, the head of state mentioned we were slowly getting closer to peace and he appreciated Charles Michel's efforts to that end. He also emphasized the significance of the quadrilateral meeting organized by Charles Michel and Emmanuel Macron in reaching a peace agreement.

Talking about the commencement of the peace process, President Ilham Aliyev stated that the foreign ministers of Azerbaijan and Armenia have held their first meeting, and the ministers should meet for the second time soon. The head of state asserted that both countries' working groups will be able to come together to prepare the text of the peace agreement after the second meeting of the foreign ministers.

President Ilham Aliyev informed that during the quadrilateral meeting he indicated Armenians had planted at least 1,400 landmines since the end of the Second Karabakh War, another crime against us, another act of terrorism, more than 250 Azerbaijanis were killed or seriously injured after the war and he called for an end to Armenian terrorism which still continues against us. The head of state affirmed that the entire international community clearly accepts the reality of Karabakh being an inseparable part of Azerbaijan, neither party has questions about the five principles declared by Azerbaijan and these five principles are being accepted, he also stated that Armenians living in Karabakh are our citizens and we will not discuss their fate or future life with any country. President Ilham Aliyev also asserted that: "This is our internal matter, and Armenians will enjoy the same rights as citizens of Azerbaijan. In any case, they can be assured that their lives integrated into Azerbaijani society will be much better than their present life."

At the end President Ilham Aliyev touched upon the issue of the Zangezur corridor and stated that it is the obligation of the Armenian side under the November 10, 2020 Statement and Armenia still denies to fulfill its obligation, he drew attention to the Azerbaijani side still tolerating this issue, but the head of state firmly declared that this matter will be an integral part of the coming discussions that will be held between the heads of the states.



Ilham Aliyev's Participation in the Final Plenary Session in the Format of a Working Lunch Held in Prague

A closing plenary session in the format of a working lunch on the sidelines of the European Political Community Summit has been held in Prague.

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev attended the event held on October 6.



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Trilateral Meeting in Prague

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev had a meeting on October 6, with the President of the French Republic Emmanuel Macron, the President of the European Council Charles Michel, and Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia Nikol Pashinyan in Prague.

At the meeting, Armenia and Azerbaijan confirmed their commitment to the Charter of the United Nations and the Alma-Ata Declaration of 1991, which recognizes each other's territorial integrity and sovereignty. They confirmed that these documents will be the basis for the work of border delimitation commissions. It was noted that the next meeting of border commissions will be held in Brussels at the end of October.



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Opening Ceremony of Shukurbayli-Jabrayil Section of the Shukurbayli-Jabrayil-Hadrut Highway

The 14.2-kilometer Shukurbayli-Jabrayil section of the Shukurbayli-Jabrayil-Hadrut highway was put into operation. President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev attended the event on October 19.

Chairman of the Board of the State Agency of Azerbaijan Automobile Roads Saleh Mammadov informed the head of state of the technical parameters of the Shukurbayli-Jabrayil-Hadrut highway and stated that the old road, which was 42 kilometers long, was shortened by 2.3 kilometers and was replaced with a new road of 39.7 kilometers length. The width of the four-lane road is 14 meters, and the width of the subgrade is 21.5 meters. The construction of 6 bridges located on the road has been completed. Simultaneously 45 round drainage pipes, 49 reserve transfer pipes, 25 rectangular drainage pipes, and 7 rectangular crossings for animals were also built, 366 meters of a concrete wall, 1620 meters of stone retaining walls were constructed, and 18 bus stops were installed along the road.



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Acquaintance with the Projects of "Azerbaijan-Türkiye International Forestry Training Center", "Smart Seedlings" and "Friendship Forest" Complex

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva on October 19, viewed the projects of "Azerbaijan-Türkiye International Forestry Training Center", "Smart Seedlings," and "Friendship Forest" Complex to be established in the Jabrayil district.

The head of state and the First Lady attended the ceremony of releasing 18 gazelles to the Jabrayil district within the framework of the implementation of reintroduction projects. Minister of Ecology and Natural Resources Mukhtar Babayev informed President Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva of the work to be done in the Complex and stated that 18 gazelles taken from the Shirvan National Park were individually reintroduced to the Jabrayil region. The process will continue this year, as well as the next year.



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Groundbreaking Ceremony of the 35 kV Substation and Digital Management Center of "Azerishig" OJSC in Jabrayil

On October 19, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the 35 kV substation and Digital Control Center of "Azerishig" OJSC in Jabrayil and the head of state laid the foundation of the substation and Digital Management Center.

The Digital Control Center planned for construction will be powered by the 110/35/10-kV Jabrayil substation. The center will supply a part of the electricity demand of the city of Jabrayil, and through a digital platform will also allow the management of other energy centers that are planned to be built. A ring supply scheme will be created through laying of connecting lines between the 35/0.4-kV "Jabrayil city" substation, the Digital Management Center, and the Hadrut junction substation. At the same time, the construction of a double-circuit cable line, connecting the 35/0.4-kV "Gubadli city" substation with the Center, will ensure mutual energy exchange between the cities of Jabrayil and Gubadli.



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Acquaintance with the Construction Progress at 330/110 kV "Jabrayil" Junction Substation

On October 19, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev viewed the construction progress at the 330/110 kV "Jabrayil" Junction Substation. President of AzerEnergy Open Joint Stock Company Baba Rzayev informed the head of state of the works done and stated that at the substation, the foundation of which was laid 4 months ago, a huge amount of excavation, construction and installation work has been completed, and channels for underground utilities have been laid. At the same time, most of the work has been completed at 330- and 100-kV open distribution plants, and the building of the Digital Management Center has been constructed.

Informing about the importance of the "Jabrayil" Junction Substation, Baba Rzayev noted that it would ensure a sustainable supply of electricity to Karabakh and Eastern Zangazur regions and meet the needs of ongoing mega projects, to get additional and more profitable access through the substations of Jabrayil-Nakhchivan-Agri (Turkey), and from there through the energy system of Turkey to the European energy markets, to increase export opportunities, and after many years it would allow connecting the Nakhchivan Autonomous Republic to the common energy system of Azerbaijan. In addition, the construction of the 330-kV "Jabrayil" substation is of tremendous importance for transferring energy produced in the "Khudafarin" and "Giz Galasi" hydropower plants, jointly built with Iran, as well as for transferring energy generated in alternative and renewable energy sources and small hydroelectric power plants to the general energy system of Azerbaijan.

3-stage planning was carried out to implement the Azerbaijan-Türkiye-Europe cross-country international project, which is of international importance and interest to many countries. In the first stage, it is planned to expand and completely reconstruct the 330-kV "Aghjabadi" and "Imishli" substations, the service life of which expired and are located closest to the territories liberated from occupation, also installation of high-voltage electricity lines in Jabrayil, 132 kilometers from the "Aghjabadi" substation and 130 kilometers from the "Imishli" substation is considered. Construction of a 330-kV line from the "Aghjabadi" substation to Jabrayil has already started. At the same time, most of the work in the 330-kV junction substation in Jabrayil was carried out.

In the second stage, to connect Nakhchivan with the country's main energy system, a 255-kilometer double-circuit power transmission line will be laid from the "Jabrayil" Junction Substation to the Autonomous Republic, through the Zangezur corridor, and a 330-kV "Nakhchivan" substation will be built.

In the third stage, to create an energy hub among Azerbaijan, Nakhchivan, Türkiye, and Europe, in the territory of the autonomous republic an additional 400-kV converter substation will be built to convert 330kV to 400 kV per European energy standards, and a 230-kilometer double-circuit power transmission line will be built from Nakhchivan to Türkiye.



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Acquaintance with the Projects of "Zabukhchay" and "Bargushadchay" Reservoirs

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev on October 19, viewed the projects of "Zabukhchay" and "Bargushadchay" reservoirs to be established in the Gubadli district. Chairman of Azerbaijan Amelioration and Water Farm Open Joint Stock Company Zaur Mikayilov informed the head of state of the projects and stated that to create a reservoir below the place where Zabukhchay flows into Khakarichay and to build the main pipeline JSC prepared these projects in pursuance of the instructions given at the 21st meeting of the Commission, established by the Decree of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan dated April 15, 2020.



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Groundbreaking Ceremony of the 35 kV Substation and Digital Management Center of “Azerishig” OJSC in Gubadli

On October 19, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the 35-kV substation and Digital Management Center of “Azerishig” OJSC in Gubadli and laid the foundation of the substation and the Management Center. Digital Management Center, which will be built in the city of Gubadli, will be powered by the 110/35/10-kV Gubadli substation. The center will provide a part of the electricity demand of the city of Gubadli, and through a digital platform will also allow the management of other energy centers that are planned to be built. A modern dispatch control system and digital network model will be implemented in the Digital Management Center.

With the laying of connecting lines between the 35/0.4-kV "Gubadli city" substation and the Digital Management Center with the 35/0.4-kV "Jabrayil city" substation, a ring supply scheme will be created among "Hadrut" junction substations. At the same time, a mutual exchange of energy between the cities of Jabrayil and Gubadli will be ensured by the laying of a double-circuit cable line between the 35/0.4-kV "Gubadli city" and "Jabrayil city" substations. Construction of "Green Energy" sources in the Gubadli Digital Management Center is also planned. The center's dispatch management system will be operated in centralized and autonomous functional modes.



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Acquaintance with the General Plan of Gubadli City

On October 19, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva got acquainted with the General Plan of the city of Gubadli.

The chairman of the State Committee on Urban Planning and Architecture Anar Guliyev informed the head of state and the first lady about the General Plan of the city of Gubadli and stated that the General Plan was prepared by the Swiss company S.A_Partners, with an extensive experience in this area, and the Baku State Design Institute. The city will be formed as an ecologically sustainable district center with a sensitive attitude towards water resources, with educational campuses providing innovative jobs and gardening opportunities, a place where agricultural and industrial sectors will be developed simultaneously and will also serve as a link between the service networks and the production networks in the north (Kalbajar) and in the south (Zangilan). For the next 20 years, it is planned to increase the area of the city to 505 hectares, and the population up to 14 thousand people.

Taking into account the natural potential of Gubadli, parks, forest parks, a boulevard along the river bank, as well as public gardens will form the basis of the city's appearance. In the territorial planning of residential areas, factors such as the availability of green and pedestrian zones were taken into account, and the locations of multifunctional zones, mid-rise and low-rise buildings, as well as zones for private houses were determined.

According to the General Plan, in the central part of the city, favorable conditions are planned to concentrate houses, workplaces, recreation areas, entertainment, cultural activities, and social facilities in a single environment. The density of construction in the city will decrease from the center to the outskirts. Mid-rise residential apartment buildings and public buildings will be located in the central part, while low-rise buildings and private houses will be located towards the outskirts.

The Sponge City concept, implemented in city planning, includes reducing the negative impact of precipitation on the urban environment, organizing optimal water supply solutions, as well as rational use of water resources. As a result, it is planned to create favorable conditions for the biodiversity of the city and turn Gubadli into an attractive green area.



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Groundbreaking Ceremony of Occupation and Victory Museums Complex in Gubadli

President Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva on October 19, laid the foundation of the Gubadli Occupation and Victory Museums complex.

The Gubadli Occupation and Victory Museums complex will consist of the Occupation Museum, the Victory Museum, and the Memorial Park, reflecting the destruction. The complex will cover an area of about 3 hectares. A part of the natural green belt surrounding the Hakari River will form the northern part of the complex. As part of the river passes through the territory of the complex, the Victory Museum and the Occupation Museum will be symbolically connected with each other through a bridge with a beautiful view. Many ancient bridges, such as the Lalezar bridge over the Hakari river, and the spiral horns depicted in the stone ram figures found in the Gubadli area are the main sources of inspiration for the project concept.

The interior of the Gubadli Occupation Museum is characterized by the spiral shape of the building. The exposition of the museum will be organized using various audio and visual technologies. The daily life of the people in Gubadli before the occupation, the occupation of the city, and the memories of the witnesses of those events, the destroyed heritage, and the vandalism that the territory was subjected to after the occupation will be visually displayed in the museum. On the top floor of the museum building, a green terrace will be organized for visitors to relax.

The interior of the Victory Museum will also be circular. The exhibition halls located on the first floor will be dedicated to the heroism and victory of our people, including the "Iron Fist" operation. On the second floor, through visual technologies, an exposition will be created that perpetuates the dear memory of the martyrs who died for the Motherland and presents information about our heroes. The museum will also have a special hall for various exhibitions.



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Meeting with Aghali Village Residents, Zangilan District

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva on October 19, visited Aghali village, Zangilan district. The President and the First Lady met with students and teaching staff of Aghali village secondary school and the village residents.



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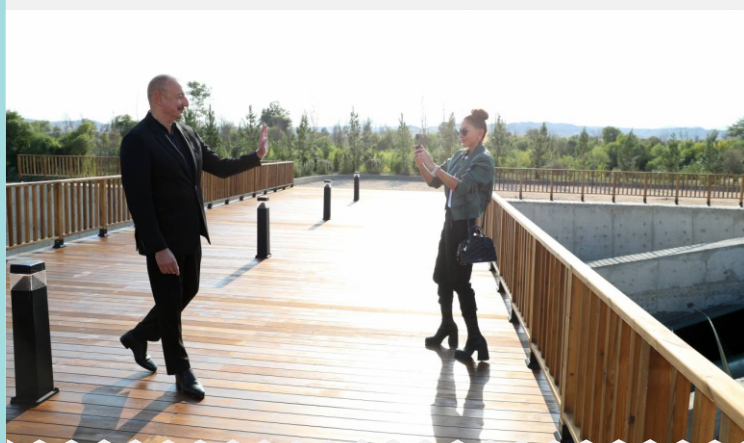
Acquaintance with Conditions Created at Zangilan International Airport

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva viewed conditions created at Zangilan International Airport on October 19. President of Azerbaijan Airlines CJSC Jahangir Asgarov informed the head of state and the First Lady about the airport and stated that the runway of Zangilan International Airport is 3,000 meters in length and 60 meters in width. The airport will be capable of accommodating all types of aircraft, including heavy cargo aircraft.

The platform area is 60 thousand square meters. The airport will allow flights that comply with ICAO and IATA standards. The terminal of the international airport, which meets the requirements of the modern world, will be able to serve 200 passengers per hour. The terminal includes a VIP hall, a cafe, a medical center, and office rooms.

Auxiliary buildings, a transformer building, a boiler house, and water tanks have been built on the territory of Zangilan International Airport. A 35-kV double-circuit electric cable line with a length of about 10 kilometers has been laid. Water was extracted from an artesian well dug at a depth of 230 meters.

An Air Traffic Control Tower has been built at the airport, equipped with fully automated air traffic control and air communication systems. To ensure flight safety in accordance with ICAO international requirements, modern aeronavigation support systems of leading Italian and German manufacturers have been applied. ILS/DME instrument landing systems, aircraft navigation systems along the VOR/DME route, automated aviation and meteorological surveillance systems, and primary and secondary radar systems were built and put into operation in a short period of time. All systems have passed registration in the international aviation catalogs of ICAO and Eurocontrol.



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Launching Ceremony of Archimedes Screw Turbine Hydro Power Plant in Zangilan

On October 19, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva attended a ceremony to launch Archimedes screw turbine Hydro Power Plant in Zangilan and the head of state launched the facility. Minister of Agriculture Inam Karimov informed the President and the First Lady of the plant and stated that in Aghali village of the Zangilan district, within the framework of the "Smart Village" project, priority was given to sustainable energy sources for the creation of a high-quality ecological environment and efficient use of energy.

To provide the village with sustainable energy, an Archimedes turbine Hydro Power Station manufactured by the German company "Rehart GmbH" and consisting of 3 hydraulic turbines of 212 kilowatts each was built on the Hakari River. The station with three generators installed has the capacity to fully meet the electricity demand of Aghali village.



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Groundbreaking Ceremony of First Residential Building in Zangilan

On October 19, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva attended a groundbreaking ceremony of the first residential building in the city of Zangilan and the head of state laid the foundation of the first residential building in the city of Zangilan.

Vahid Hajiyev, the Special Representative of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan in the Zangilan district, which is part of the East Zangazur economic region, informed the head of state and the First Lady of the residential block where the building is located and stated that a significant part of the territory of the residential block with a total area of 2.06 hectares will consist of a green zone. The block will be located on the central street of the city of Zangilan, near the school and the business zone, and will correspond to the approved general plan of the city. A total of 10 buildings will be built in the block. Of these buildings, 6 are planned to be two-storey, and 4 to be three-storey.



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Groundbreaking Ceremony of a School Building in the City of Zangilan

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva on October 19, attended a groundbreaking ceremony of a school building in the city of Zangilan and the head of state laid the foundation of the education facility.

Minister of Science and Education Emin Amrullayev informed the head of state and the First Lady of the 960-seat school building and stated that the school building will occupy an area of 1.6 hectares and is planned to be built in the center of Zangilan city and is near to the residential complex. The three-storey school will consist of modular classrooms, a large amphitheater, open classrooms, playgrounds, sports grounds, and a lobby.



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Opening Ceremony of Zangilan International Airport

On October 20, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and President of the Republic of Türkiye Recep Tayyip Erdoğan attended the opening ceremony of Zangilan International Airport and cut the ribbon symbolizing the opening of the airport. After the presentation of symbolic keys of the Zangilan International Airport to the presidents, the heads of state viewed the conditions created at the airport.



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2022**

Opening Ceremony of the First Stage of "Dost Agropark" Smart Agricultural Complex in Zangilan

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and President of the Republic of Türkiye Recep Tayyip Erdogan attended the inauguration of the first stage of "Dost Agropark" smart agricultural complex in Zangilan district on October 20. During the event, President Ilham Aliyev and President Recep Tayyip Erdogan got acquainted with the complex after answering the questions of journalists.

"Dost Agropark" is the first private agricultural complex to be created by Turkish and Azerbaijani investors in Karabakh and Zangazur regions. The foundation of the project, implemented in three stages, was laid by President of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and President of Türkiye Recep Tayyip Erdogan on 26 October 2021.

Administrative buildings, 5,200 square meters indoor and 113,000 square meters outdoor animal husbandry complexes, social facilities, a cafe, a cinema, a recreation area, a swimming pool, and buildings for service personnel were built in the first phase of the project. A total of 3500 head of cattle were brought to the complex and the production of agricultural products was carried out. Harvesting of wheat and barley planted last year with the participation of both presidents was completed. President Ilham Aliyev and President Recep Tayyip Erdogan applied the first samples of "Made in Karabakh" labels on the packages of meat products from the cattle raised in pastures and slaughtered which were brought to the region by "Dost Agropark". The heads of state also participated in the opening of the Zangazur Weightlifting Club, which was established under "Dost Agropark".

Work according to the second and third stages of "Dost Agropark" will be continued rapidly. As a result of the completion of all stages of the project, vegetation-based production and technical areas will be established on an area of 6,000 hectares of land, as well as areas for breeding of 10,000 head of cattle, seeds, and seedlings will be set up. Along with this, an integrated meat processing and packaging enterprise intended to cover the entire region will be built, along with a warehouse with a capacity of 100,000 tons. The complex will also meet the region's demand for seeds, fertilizers, and agricultural supplies. An "Agro Market" will be established to introduce the Karabakh products to the world markets under the brand name "Made in Karabakh".

“Dost Agropark”, where smart agricultural technologies, zero waste, renewable energy, and sustainable agricultural mechanisms are to be applied, will operate on the principle of halal food, protection of the environment, and nature. When the project is fully completed, 500 people will be employed in the complex. A total of 100 million dollars will be invested to create the ecosystem. President of the Republic of Azerbaijan İlham Aliyev and President of the Republic of Türkiye Recep Tayyip Erdoğan after delivering speeches at the event cut the ribbon symbolizing the opening of the first stage “Dost Agropark” smart agricultural complex.



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Groundbreaking Ceremony of Gumlag Railway Station in the Jabrayil District

On October 20, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan İlham Aliyev and President of the Republic of Türkiye Recep Tayyip Erdoğan laid the foundation of Gumlag railway station which is located in the section of Horadiz-Aghband railway line passing through Jabrayil district.

Minister of Digital Development and Transport Rashad Nabiyev informed the heads of state of the Horadiz-Aghband railway line and the Gumlag station and stated that the foundation of the Horadiz-Aghband railway line was laid by the President of Azerbaijan on February 14, 2021. The project is to be completed by the end of 2023.

The railway line is single-track and its axial length is 110.4 km. 9 stations will operate along the railway line (Horadiz, Marjanly, Mahmudlu, Soltanly, Gumlag, Hakari, Minjivan, Bartaz, Aghband). Within the framework of the project, 456 artificial engineering structures, 70 turnouts, 110.4 km of communication and signaling lines will be put into operation. At present, the construction of a subgrade and artificial engineering structures is underway on the section between the 62nd and 71st kilometers of the railway line.

The Gumlag station, foundation of which was laid, covers an area of 1.69 hectares. The station will be designed in a modern style and it will consist of a platform, a station building, parking lots for cars, buses, and taxis. After putting it into operation, the station will serve 150-200 passengers per day and will also allow efficient and safe transportation of goods in the relevant directions.



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Groundbreaking Ceremony of "Azerbaijan-Türkiye International Forestry Training Center", "Smart Seedlings" and "Friendship Forest" Complex

A groundbreaking ceremony of "Azerbaijan-Türkiye International Forestry Training Center," "Smart Seedlings" and "Friendship Forest" Complex, which will be established in the Jabrayil district, was held on October 20, and 15 gazelles were released to the area. President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and President of the Republic of Türkiye Recep Tayyip Erdogan attended the ceremony.

Minister of Ecology and Natural Resources Mukhtar Babayev informed the heads of state of the works to be done in the complex and stated that the realization of certain works within the framework of Azerbaijan-Türkiye/Karabakh Action Plan adopted in 2021 in liberated areas has already begun. In the context of this plan creation of "Azerbaijan-Türkiye International Forestry Training Center," "Smart Seedlings" and "Friendship Forest" Complex were planned.

To this end, together with local and Turkish specialists, a 40-hectare site was selected adjacent to the Shukurbeyli-Jabrail-Hadrut road in the Jabrayil region. The territory is located at an altitude of 603 meters above sea level, 340 kilometers from Baku, 72 kilometers from the Zangilan International Airport, and 35 kilometers from the Fuzuli International Airport. Earthwork of excavation and backfilling of soil in the project area started on June 20 this year, and the project is expected to be fully completed and put into operation on July 1, 2024.

A three-storey Forestry Training Center will be created in the complex, including a conference hall, study rooms, a guest house, a two-storey administrative building, a laboratory, a canteen, as well as "Smart Seedlings" and "Friendship Forest". It is planned to build a Solar Power Plant with a capacity of 180 kilowatts to power the center.



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Acquaintance with the “Heritage of Karabakh Khanate” Exhibition

On October 24, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and Prime Minister of Georgia Irakli Garibashvili viewed the “Heritage of Karabakh Khanate” exhibition at Château Mukhrani, Mtskheta Municipality.

The event featured a presentation of the “Karabakh Khanate. Historical and cultural identity” book prepared by a group of authors headed by Professor Eldar Nadiradze. Photos displayed at the exhibition were based on the artifacts selected from the book “Karabakh Khanate. Historical and cultural identity”. These include photos depicting the first known image of the flag belonging to the Karabakh Khanate, the shield of Shah Ismayil preserved in the Karabakh Khanate dynasty, ancient carpets, decorative tiles of the Sardar Mosque and its façade, as well as images of the 19th century Shusha, photos depicting the interior and façade of the Sardar Khan palace of the late 19th and early 20th centuries, a horse saddle from the 19th century, two tars and a three-stringed kamancha, and portraits of Hasan Gulu Khan Qajar and Fatali Shah Qajar authored by Mirza Gadim Irvani.

The book “Karabakh Khanate. Historical and cultural identity” depicts photos of 300 artifacts belonging to the Karabakh khanate, that were collected during the military and scientific expeditions held by Tsarist Russia in Karabakh in the 19th century and are currently stored in the Georgian National Museum. After being handed over to the museum's archive, the artifacts were never unsealed for some reason and remained uncatalogued for more than 100 years. The book was published in Azerbaijani, Russian, English, French, and Arabic.



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Bilateral Meeting in Sochi

On October 31, a bilateral meeting has been held between the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev, and the President of the Russian Federation Vladimir Putin in Sochi.

Russian President Vladimir Putin welcomed President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and stated that this meeting organized on the initiatives of the President of Azerbaijan and the Prime Minister of Armenia is especially significant and necessary to ensure the implementation of all agreements that were reached in 2020 and 2021. Vladimir Putin expressed his gratitude to Ilham Aliyev for highly appreciating Russia's role in resolving the conflict and noted that the Russian peacekeeping contingent now is fulfilling its mission, and he stressed the need to talk about the situation that has developed, and look for ways to resolve issues that have not yet been resolved. Vladimir Putin touched on an important component of an economic nature and emphasized the creation of a trilateral working group headed by deputy prime ministers and how quite far they have advanced in terms of resolving the issues that were discussed two years ago.

President of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev thanked Vladimir Putin for the invitation and for playing an important role in the settlement of the Karabakh conflict and asserted that a Trilateral Declaration signed two years ago put an end to the long-term conflict, the Karabakh conflict had already been consigned to history, and there is practically nothing to discuss in this context and today's meeting is dedicated to regional affairs. As for the process of normalization of Azerbaijan-Armenia relations, the head of state asserted that this issue requires very serious steps, and in this direction, Azerbaijan put forward 5 basic principles based on the fundamental principles of international law and noted the possibility of achieving normalization on this basis.



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Trilateral Meeting in Sochi

A meeting of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev with President of the Russian Federation Vladimir Putin, and Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia Nikol Pashinyan was held in Sochi, on October 31.

Addressing the meeting, President of Russia Vladimir Putin stated that they agreed on a joint statement of the meeting, though it was not possible to agree upon everything, and some parts had to be removed from the text previously worked out by specialists, however, the overall assessment of meeting was useful and it created the conditions for further steps towards resolving the situation as a whole. President of Russia also informed that this meeting created a very good atmosphere for possible future agreements on certain fundamental issues. At the end of the meeting, Vladimir Putin thanked the President of Azerbaijan and the Prime Minister of Armenia for attending the meeting.

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Statement by President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia, and President of the Russian Federation

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev, Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia Nikol Pashinyan, and President of the Russian Federation Vladimir Putin signed a Statement in Sochi, on October 31.

The Statement affirms that President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev, Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia Nikol Pashinyan, and President of the Russian Federation Vladimir Putin, met in Sochi on 31 October 2022 and discussed the implementation of the trilateral statements of 9 November 2020, 11 January and 26 November 2021. Parties confirmed their commitment to strict compliance with all these agreements in the interests of the comprehensive normalization of Azerbaijani-Armenian relations, ensuring lasting peace, stability, security, and sustainable economic development of the South Caucasus, agreed to make additional efforts to urgently resolve the remaining tasks, including the block of humanitarian issues.

Noting the key contribution of the Russian peacekeeping contingent to ensuring security in the zone of its deployment, the Parties emphasized the relevance of its efforts to stabilize the situation in the region, and agreed to refrain from the use or the threat of using force, to discuss and resolve all problematic issues solely based on mutual recognition of sovereignty, territorial integrity, and inviolability of borders under the UN Charter and the Alma-Ata Declaration of 1991.

To achieve sustainable and lasting peace in the region Parties emphasized the importance of active preparation for the signing of a peace treaty between the Republic of Azerbaijan and the Republic of Armenia, based on the currently developed proposals, it was agreed to continue the search for acceptable solutions, and stressed the importance of creating a positive atmosphere between the Republic of Azerbaijan and the Republic of Armenia to continue the dialogue between representatives of the public, expert communities and religious leaders with Russian assistance, as well as launching trilateral inter-parliamentary contacts to strengthen confidence between the peoples of the two countries.



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**NOVEMBER
2022**

Acquaintance with the Conditions Created at the Newly Commissioned Military Unit of the Defense Ministry in the Fuzuli District

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Victorious Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces Ilham Aliyev viewed conditions created at a newly commissioned military unit of the Ministry of Defense in the territory of Fuzuli district on November 7.

After the report of Minister of Defense, Colonel General Zakir Hasanov to the President of Azerbaijan, Victorious Commander-in-Chief Ilham Aliyev, the head of state laid flowers at a memorial complex erected in honor of the martyrs in the military camp and planted a tree there. President Ilham Aliyev viewed the conditions created in the headquarters of the military camp, barracks, soldiers' canteen, and gym, as well as in the apartments and posed for a group photo with the servicemen, and congratulated them on 8 November Victory Day.

Informing about the work done in the military camp, Minister of Defense Zakir Hasanov noted that to ensure the service and living conditions of the personnel there are a headquarters, a canteen, a medical center, a soldiers' barracks, a bath-laundry, a parking lot, warehouses for various purposes, as well as other infrastructure facilities in the territory of the renovated military camp. There is a control center equipped with modern means of communication and information, a communication center, and other office premises for organizing high-level combat training and service of troops, operational control of units during the hostilities, as well as ensuring interaction with other military units. The military camp features two- and three-storey residential buildings, a school, and a kindergarten for military personnel and their families.



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2022

Meeting between the Foreign Ministers of Azerbaijan and Armenia Held in Washington D.C.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs of Azerbaijan Jeyhun Bayramov and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Armenia Ararat Mirzoyan held a meeting on 7 November 2022 in Washington D.C., USA. The Ministers were hosted at the Blair House, where a joint meeting with the Secretary of State Antony Blinken also took place.

The Ministers shared views on the elements of a possible peace treaty and acknowledged that there is a range of issues that still need to be addressed. Both sides reiterated the commitments undertaken by the leaders of Azerbaijan and Armenia in their meetings on 6 October in Prague and on 31 October in Sochi.

They agreed to expedite their negotiations, and organize another meeting in the coming weeks.

Both Ministers expressed their appreciation to the U.S. side for hosting the peace talks between Azerbaijan and Armenia.



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2022

Participation of Ilham Aliyev in the Event Organized on the Occasion of Victory Day in Shusha

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Victorious Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces Ilham Aliyev, First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva, and their son Heydar Aliyev attended an event organized on the occasion of Victory Day in Shusha on November 8.

Addressing the military personnel, the head of state congratulated all the people of Azerbaijan on Victory Day. During his speech, President Ilham Aliyev mentioned the results of the First Karabakh War, the policy of aggression carried out by Armenia against Azerbaijan, the negotiation process after the First Karabakh War, constructing a diaspora, the steps taken and the projects implemented on the successful road to the Second Karabakh War, the construction of the army, and the Victory achieved as a result of the efforts of the brave soldiers of Azerbaijan and highly appreciated the determination and will of all the people of Azerbaijan who gained victory with the liberation of Shusha and said: "By liberating the impregnable fortress of Shusha from Armenian occupation two years ago, the Armed Forces of Azerbaijan wrote a glorious page in our history. This glorious history will stay with us forever. The people of Azerbaijan and future generations will be rightly proud of this glorious Victory."

President Ilham Aliyev during his speech stated: "All these words of mine have one source – our strong will and Victory in the Patriotic War! This Victory allows us the opportunity to say these words to everyone, to those who despise us. This Victory gave us this opportunity and gave confidence and spirit to all our people. We have restored not only our territorial integrity but also our national dignity. Therefore, dear soldiers, we are indebted to you, we are indebted to tens of thousands of soldiers and officers like you, and the people of Azerbaijan know this very well. I am proud of you as a Commander-in-Chief!"



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Ilham Aliyev Received the Special Representative of Russia's Foreign Ministry for the Normalization of Azerbaijan-Armenia Relations

On November 24, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev received the Special Representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation for the normalization of Azerbaijan-Armenia relations, Igor Khovaev.

The sides exchanged views on the negotiation process regarding the normalization of relations between Armenia and Azerbaijan and the drafting of a peace agreement between the two countries, the Armenian side's failure to fulfill its obligations in accordance with the trilateral Declaration signed on November 10, 2020, the last meeting held in Sochi and its results.



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2022

Ilham Aliyev's Attendance at the Opening of the International Conference: "Along the Middle Corridor: Geopolitics, Security and Economy"

The International Conference: "Along the Middle Corridor: Geopolitics, Security and Economy" was held on November 25, at ADA University, Baku. The participants of this important event included leaders and representatives of leading think tanks of the USA, Belgium, Bulgaria, Great Britain, France, Israel, Switzerland, Italy, Georgia, Canada, Egypt, Pakistan, Poland, Romania, Russia, and Türkiye.

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev expressed gratitude to guests and international experts for participating in the conference and special appreciation to ADA University for hosting this important event to address such important issues. Later, the President touched on the important geographical position of Azerbaijan, located at the junction of Europe and Asia, in the North-South and East-West corridors, and mentioned the importance of the role it plays in global projects in the world.

President Ilham Aliyev answered the questions of the participants of the conference.

The conference featured discussions on the security aspects of the Middle Corridor and the region's economic opportunities. In this regard, particularly, the participants exchanged views on the importance of the Zangazur corridor, the new transport opportunities that the East-West corridor will create, and the expansion and diversification of international cargo transportation.



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Ilham Aliyev Received EU Special Representative for South Caucasus

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev received European Union Special Representative for the South Caucasus Toivo Klair on November 25.

The sides exchanged views on the normalization of relations between Armenia and Azerbaijan, the negotiation process regarding the peace agreement between the two countries, and the results of the meeting on border delimitation held in Brussels.



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Ilham Aliyev Received U.S. State Department's Senior Advisor for Caucasus Negotiations

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev received U.S. State Department's Senior Advisor for Caucasus Negotiations Philip Reeker on November 28.

Philip Reeker extended U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken's greetings to President Ilham Aliyev. The head of state thanked for Antony Blinken's greetings and asked Philip Reeker to extend his greetings to the U.S. Secretary of State as well.

The sides exchanged views on the normalization of relations between Armenia and Azerbaijan, and the meeting held in Washington at the level of foreign ministers regarding negotiations on a peace agreement. U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken's constant attention to the process of normalization of relations between Armenia and Azerbaijan was highly appreciated.



09

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Acquaintance with the Special Purpose Equipment that will be Used in the Liberated Territories

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev on December 9, viewed the special purpose equipment, which will be used in the liberated territories purchased by the Ministry of Emergency Situations. President Ilham Aliyev was informed that 100 fire trucks of "KamAZ" brand and 50 special-purpose fire engines of "Iveco" brand were purchased by the Ministry of Emergency Situations for fire protection in the liberated territories. 9 Iveco vehicles have already been imported, the import of 41 is planned for the first quarter of 2023.

For carrying out special rescue operations, transportation of goods and auxiliary materials in the liberated territories during technogenic disasters, natural disasters, and traffic accidents, the Ministry of Emergency Situations purchased 5 Nissan Patrol cars, 11 Lada Niva Travel cars, and 6- GAZelle cars (of which 3 have been delivered, and the rest will be delivered before the end of this year). 4 modern "GCS (Global Clearance Solutions)-200" mine-clearing robots with a diesel engine and remote control purchased by the Ministry will be used in the liberated territories for demining areas planted with anti-personnel and anti-tank mines. Among the presented equipment there are also "Ural" brand cars. These cars are to be used to transport goods and perform other work in the event of a fire.



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Acquaintance with Modern Ambulances to be Used in the Liberated Territories

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev on December 9, viewed modern ambulances purchased by the State Agency on Mandatory Health Insurance.

Chairman of the Board of the State Agency on Mandatory Health Insurance Zaur Aliyev informed that due to the growing demand, primary task is to provide new medical centers and stations, as well as newly built hospitals in the liberated territories with ambulance cars. Since 2020, the agency has purchased a total of 249 ambulances, including 84 "Fiat Doblo", 131 "Mercedes", 34 "Ford Transit". In addition, special Mercedes Vito vehicles with two differentials (4x4) provide comfortable and safe movement of the ambulance team in mountainous terrain and off-road conditions. These cars were used during the 44-day Patriotic War for the evacuation of the wounded in difficult and off-road conditions.

Of the 65 Mercedes-Benz ambulances presented, 37 are vehicles with a simple differential, 7 are special vehicles with two differentials, 20 are reanimobiles and 1 is with a perinatal incubator. Cars are equipped with a wide range of medicines and medical equipment, which allows to start treating the patient already on the way to the medical facility. Thus, the complete set of cars allows transporting patients in any condition.



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Acquaintance with Conditions Created at Administrative Building of Western Azerbaijan Community

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev viewed conditions created in an administrative building of the Western Azerbaijan Community on December 24. Western Azerbaijan Community is the legal successor of the "Azerbaijani Refugees Society " Public Association that has been functioning since 1989. On August 3 of this year, the Association was renamed the Western Azerbaijan Community and a new charter of the community was approved. The community has established such structures as Supervisory Council, Women's Council, Council of Aksakals, Council of Intellectuals and Council of Trustees, the Governing Board, the Control-Audition Commission, the Youth Association, representative offices in foreign countries, and elections have been held.

The organization is the only public institution that has been dealing with the problem of refugees from Western Azerbaijan since 1989 and collects and stores facts and documents about Azerbaijanis who became refugees in 1988-1991.

According to the information, the damage caused to almost 20,000 out of 50,000 families expelled from Western Azerbaijan in 1988-1991 has been calculated, and this work is currently ongoing. Accurate statistics (first name, last name, patronymic) were conducted for each refugee family expelled during those years from almost 300 settlements in Western Azerbaijan, and data of 130 villages was completed. The organization continues to prepare an accurate list of all our historical and cultural heritage sites in Western Azerbaijan.



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Meeting of Ilham Aliyev with a Group of Intellectuals from Western Azerbaijan

President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev met with a group of intellectuals from Western Azerbaijan on December 24. The head of state delivered a speech at the meeting and spoke about the moral value of the building where the Western Azerbaijan Community is located and stated that one of the main moral reasons for the Community's location here is that the internally displaced people of Karabakh, who were once located in this building, are now returning to their lands, and in the future, our compatriots from Western Azerbaijan will also return to our historical lands in Western Azerbaijan.

President Ilham Aliyev stated that Western Azerbaijan is our historical lands and touched upon the policy of deportation and ethnic cleansing carried out at various stages of modern history against our compatriots who are the ancient inhabitants of these lands and the policy of vandalism committed against our historical and cultural heritage located in our historical territories, and emphasized the importance of conveying these historical facts to the world community. Noting that it is very important for all of us that the Western Azerbaijan Community operates in a more organized form, the head of state emphasized the importance of this work to be carried out single-mindedly in several directions both at the local level and at the international level.

President Ilham Aliyev stated that exhibitions, presentations, international conferences should be held in this direction, events should be organized together with Azerbaijani diaspora organizations, contacts should be established with political circles, press and legislative bodies of foreign countries, in order to restore the rights of Western Azerbaijanis and return them to their native lands international lawyers should be involved, at the same time our books on historical facts should be updated. In order to ensure that this topic does not leave the international agenda, an international conference on Western Azerbaijan should be held in Baku once a year or every two years, inviting scientists, archaeologists, and historians from the countries we consider friends.

The head of state noted that in parallel with all this, we should demand our rights taking into account the provisions enshrined to us by international conventions, and develop a Concept of Return to Western Azerbaijan with a peaceful context based on international norms and principles, and all information resources operating in this direction- newspapers, information portals, public associations, digital platform and so on should be integrated and work should be conducted single-mindedly within the framework of a sole concept and policy.

At the end of the event, the representatives of the Western Azerbaijan Community expressed their gratitude to the head of state for the comprehensive conditions created to fight for the return of our historical lands.

