

Half of Afghan Asylum Seekers' Applications Denied in Sweden

Afghanistan Embassy: More than half of Afghan asylum applications in Sweden have been denied; those unsuccessful will possibly be deported.

STOCKHOLM - Applications of over half of the Afghan refugees seeking asylum in Sweden have had their application denied and are likely to be forced to leave the Nordic country. Afghanistan's ambassador to Sweden, Hamid Hami, has accepted that the Afghan government has signed agreements with that country and the European Union to return the refugees. "When an asylum seeker receives a fourth negative answer, that person is not eligible to stay. So, it is not deportation, it is an obligation that he or she should leave the country. It is the decision of the court of the country, not the embassy," Hami said. TOLONews journalist Abdulwali Aryan, reporting from Sweden, said most of the refugees are ...*(More on P4)...*(18)



3 Civilians, 5 Taliban Injured in Nangarhar Blasts

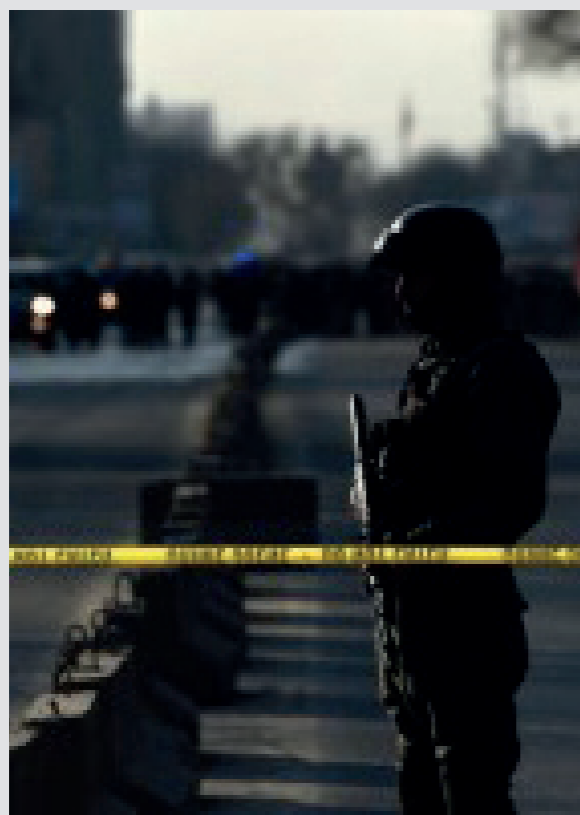
JALALABAD - Five militants and three civilians have been injured in two separate bomb explosions in eastern Nangarhar province, an official said on Sunday. Attaullah Khogyani, the governor's spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News that unidentified gunmen threw a hand-grenade at a corolla vehicle in Mamli area of Khogyani district late on Saturday night. He said two children and one woman were wounded in the grenade attack and their condition was said to be stable. Separately, five militants were wounded when one of the landmines they were making went off inside a ...*(More on P4)...*(19)

Herat Man Kills Daughter-in-Law; Youth Gunned Down

HERAT CITY - A man killed his daughter-in-law over a family dispute in western Herat province on Sunday, a day after a youth was shot dead in the provincial capital, police said. Police spokesman Abdul Ahad Walizada told Pajhwok Afghan News that the woman was killed in Maslakh area of Herat city, the provincial capital, at 7:00am. He said the alleged killer had been detained by police and was currently being interrogated. Initial investigation showed the murder resulted from a family dispute. The police spokesman also said a young man named Torjan was gunned ...*(More on P4)...*(20)

Logar Gunbattles Leave 4 Taliban, 2 Civilians Dead

PUL-I-ALAM - Four Taliban insurgents and two civilians have been killed during clashes in central Logar province, an official said on Sunday. Police spokesman Shahpoor Ahmadzai told Pajhwok Afghan News the militants stormed security check-posts in Deh Sheikh and Porak areas of Barak-i-Barak district late on Saturday. He said four guerrillas and two civilians were killed and three Taliban and a civilian wounded in the clash. The security forces suffered no casualties in the firefight. Azizullah, a resident of the locality, said one civilian was killed and two others were wounded when a mortar shell ...*(More on P4)...*(21)



Intelligence Operatives Detain 3 Taliban in Kabul

KABUL - A three members group of militants has been detained by National Directorate of Security (NDS) agents in Kabul province, the spy service said on Sunday. A statement from NDS said three militants named Wahidiyar, Hamayoon and Qudratullah had linked with the Taliban. They were allegedly sent to Kabul to carry out terrorist attacks. But the intelligent operatives detained them before they could implement their disruptive plans. The Taliban have said nothing so far about the arrests. *(Pajhwok)*

Helmand Clinic Treats Addicts with Water Therapy

LASHKARGAH - A clinic in southern Helmand province treats addicts by using water therapy instead of medication. A clinic, established two and half years ago in southern Helmand province, uses water therapy and counseling to treat drug addicts rather than medication. Clinic staff said water therapy was more effective than prescribing medicine. The clinic is now however run by a recovering addict who was once a patient at the clinic. "I myself was an addict; I smoked opium for four years. After four years I was treated here," said Assadullah, head of the clinic. Most of the employees at the clinic are former addicts. Waris is an employee of the clinic and was also once an addict. Now he helps others to give up drugs and return to a normal life. "At first I used hashish and then I become addicted to heroin. Later on I came to this clinic for treatment," said Waris. The addicts who come to the clinic for treatment stay for about 40 days. According to clinic staff, addicts are restrained for the first few days while going through withdrawal symptoms. "Lots of addicts came here for treatment and it is good news," said Assadullah. *(Tolonews)*

AFF Organizes First Ever Beach Football Tournament

KABUL - The tournament was launched in the hope of developing the sporting code in the country, said an AFF official. Afghanistan Football Federation (AFF) has launched its first ever beach soccer tournament in the hope of promoting the sport in the country. We organized the event to institutionalize beach soccer in the country and to identify new faces for a national team and for a junior team, said head of Afghan beach football federation Rohullah Rastagar. "These games are important for us and the games will help us to exchange experience among the players, the more we organize these games, the more we promote it among the people," said Afghan beach soccer player Romal Dawoudzai. The tournament will see twelve teams in two groups play against each other in a league system. The two top teams will make their way to the first Kabul beach football games. *(Tolonews)*



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NATO Airstrike Kills 5 Militants in Nawa

LASHKARGAH - A NATO airstrike hit a vehicle full of explosives that went off killing five insurgents in the Nawa district of southern Helmand province, an official said on Sunday. Nawa police chief, 2nd Lt. Abdul Salam, told Pajhwok Afghan News insurgents wanted to transfer weapons and ammunition in a car from Shorshorak area of the district on Saturday night when foreign air forces targeted the vehicle. Helmand governor's



spokesman, Omar Zwak, confirmed the air raid that killed five insurgents. There has been so far no word from insurgents in this regard. However, Taliban group's spokesman, Qari Yousuf Ahmad, wrote on his twitter account that a bomb planted by them ripped through an Afghan National Army (ANA) vehicle in Momin Khan Desert of Nawa, killing 11 soldiers. But government officials said nothing about the bombing. *(Pajhwok)*

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



Aries Although you might resist at first, you finally settle into the steady rhythm of the day. You wish the pace was quicker, but it's wise to resign yourself to work within the constraints you cannot control. You may be annoyed if someone criticizes you for bucking the tide, even though you feel like you're flowing with it.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



Taurus Withholding your needs seems like a strategy that will work today. You believe everyone will think everything is smoothly moving along according to plan as long as you don't reveal what you really want. However, you may inadvertently wear your emotions on your sleeve now that the moody Moon is shining in your 1st House of Personality.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



Gemini Your friends might not recognize your behavior today, since you're so quiet. In fact, your expressive energy seems restrained while the practical Taurus Moon hides in your 12th House of Privacy. Rather than wasting time asking others for what you want, you're just taking care of business on your own. Still, you can't help but think you're coming into an adversarial phase.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



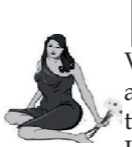
Cancer Your longings continue to intensify today, but you may be alienated because there's little communication about your desires. You don't mind if others are aware of your feelings; it's just that you wish to avoid being the center of attention now. You prefer to make less waves and disappear into a group of like-minded friends than upset anyone with your needs that can't easily.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



Leo You prefer sticking to your own agenda today because no one else's plans make any sense to you. You want to collaborate with a coworker, but quickly abandon the idea when you realize how different your goals are now. There are times when compromise is a good idea because it allows you to combine forces for the common good.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sept 22)



Virgo You may be more expressive about your current need for excitement than you are about your day at work. In fact, you're unlikely to disclose much about your professional activities. At first, it might seem as if you're embarrassed about your career, but your motivation for secrecy comes from somewhere else. You simply want to be judged as a human, not for your job title.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



Libra Although you enjoy your role as Diplomat-at-Large in the current social chaos, you might not know how to proceed without stirring up some friction. The more you remain true to yourself, the greater the stress between you and those around you. Nevertheless, at some point you must choose between following your own star or supporting the collective vision of your network of friends and associates.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



Scorpio You might find yourself in a standoff with a close friend or lover today. The most obvious responses don't seem to work, partly because you're both so unwilling to give in. Unfortunately, it's nearly impossible to merge two structures that are built on totally different foundations. Thankfully, you don't have to combine them into one.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



Sagittarius You have your work cut out for you today and although it may not be the most enjoyable task, you're willing to do it anyhow. Unfortunately, you also have another set of goals that don't reflect your job assignments; you're interested in improving the life of everyone you know. You believe it's your duty to pitch in and help the state of affairs all over the planet. Sometimes, it's hard to know what to do but now your path

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



Capricorn You're thrilled when your personal needs support your deeper mission in life. The simplistic Taurus Moon dwells in your 5th House of Creativity, and your individual self-expression works hand in hand with a more powerful evolutionary force that's guiding you in the direction of positive change. Don't resist what you can't yet understand.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

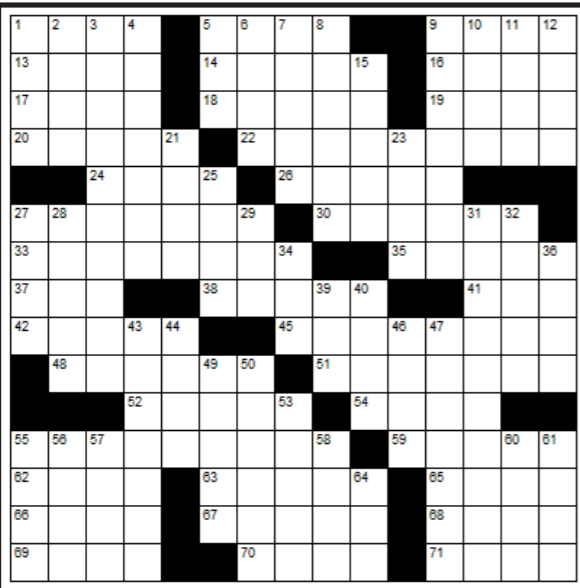


Aquarius People seem to be overly insistent in their negotiations with you today. But you don't want to give away so much that you feel there is nothing left. You may need to stand up and say no, even if you are in philosophical agreement with those around you. Reaffirming your boundaries not only protects you from exhausting your resources, it also boosts your self-confidence.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



Pisces You're not interested in altering your schedule for anyone else today. In fact, you expect others to adapt to your calendar if they want to join in your cause. Being willing to meet on neutral territory makes a substantial difference. Don't cut off your nose to spite your face; if a small compromise allows you to make a big contribution, do it before the energy shifts.



Across

- Scoundrels, 5. Ancient Peruvian, 9. Flying saucers, 13. Death notice, 14. Charred, 16. Not false, 17. Sandwich shop, 18. Alpha's opposite, 19. Convenience, 20. Siren, 22. Sweet triangular nuts, 24. Tall woody plant, 26. Layers, 27. Statistician, 30. Unbending, 33. Clergyman, 35. Hello or goodbye, 37. Buff, 38. Thread holder, 41. Cover, 42. Locations, 45. Squirmed, 48. Jettison, 51. Convictions, 52. Aches, 54. Platter, 55. South of the Arctic Circle, 59. An exact duplicate, 62. French for "State", 63. Mistake, 65. Anger, 66. Money, 67. Leaky, 68. Natural satellite, 69. Not we, 70. Being, 71. Terminates,

Down

- Musical finale, 2. Cain's brother, 3. A superficial person, 4. Staples, 5. Nigerian tribesman, 6. Deaden, 7. Someone unpleasantly strange, 8. Cherubim, 9. Implement, 10. German for "Madam", 11. Dethrone, 12. Views, 15. Implied, 21. Blue-green, 23. Sister and wife of Zeus, 25. Historical periods, 27. Does something, 28. Seat, 29. Sharp high-pitched cry, 31. Accumulation, 32. Stealer, 34. At this time, 36. Contributes, 39. Sphere, 40. Misdemeanor, 43. Sympathy, 44. Fly high, 46. Lamp or candle, 47. A bladed medieval weapon, 49. Transgressions, 50. Main course, 53. Fathers, 55. Religious offshoot, 56. A D-Day beach, 57. Headquarters, 58. Policemen, 60. Lummo, 61. Female chickens, 64. Type of whiskey

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