

Daesh Militants Get to Seizure of Afghanistan

KABUL - Islamists have taken control of territories in eastern Afghanistan, acting under the strategy they used in Iraq and Syria, US media reported. Afghan authorities noted at the same time that the militants get major financial backing and could soon emerge as a serious threat. Terrorists from Daesh group, also known as ISIL/the Islamic state, have seized a row of territories in eastern Afghanistan, The Times reported. About 1,600 people who have sworn allegiance to Daesh have brought under control large parts of four provinces



situated to the south of Jalalabad. As the Times correspondent noted, Daesh is acting in the country under the strategies they tested in Iraq and Syria: imperceptible infiltration of the militants in the region followed by the seizure of the area. According to media reports, terrorists acting with extreme brutality, including the use of torture and executions, forced thousands of local residents to abandon their houses and flee for safety. The attempts of Afghanistan's army to restrain the militants are complicated by significant casualties among servicemen with up to 500 deaths... (More on P4)... (15)

30 Infrastructure Projects Completed in Kapisa Province

KAPISA - National Solidarity Programme of the Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development (MRRD/NSP) in a press release stated that 37 development projects worth AFN 43,000,000 were recently completed in MarkazMahmodDoraqi, Hasae-awalKhohestan, Hasae-DowomeKhohestan, Najrab and Tagab district of Kapisa province. According to NSP Provincial Manager of Kapisa province, these development projects include the construction of three community centers, 268 meters in length retaining walls, 3,181 meters in length protection walls, culverts, construction of sidewalks, gravelling of 255 KM rural roads and excavation of 25 water wells. Approximately 5,915 families in various communities had an opportunity to gain access to basic human needs upon completion of these projects. It is worth... (More on P4)... (16)

Attack on Kandahar Governor House Thwarted

KABUL - A terrorist attack on the governorhouse of southern Kandahar province has been thwarted and nearly a dozen militants have been killed, the spy service and the Ministry of Interior said on Sunday. The National Directorate of Security (NDS) in a statement said two persons namely Lal Mohammad and Sardar linked to notorious Taliban commander Mullah Buzarg



wanted to use an explosives-filled rickshaw in an attack on the governor house in Kandahar province. "These individuals wanted to reach EidGah gate with the explosives including seven artillery shells and then target the governor's house, but they were arrested before doing so," the statement said. The spy service said a... (More on P4)... (17)

Afghan Interpreter 'Happy' Fears Deportation from UK

KABUL - After overcoming enormous obstacles on his year-long trip to Britain, a former Afghan interpreter known as "Happy," who fled Taliban threats and persecution, finally reached the UK three months ago. He might now be deported to Greece without a hearing. KhushalTalash worked as an interpreter helping British forces in Afghanistan, but then had to flee Afghanistan for the UK because of persecution by the Taliban, which had already killed his brother. The man may now be deported to Greece under the Dublin procedure, as he was registered there when he first entered the EU, ex-army officer George Tyldesley, who helped Khushal get to the UK, wrote in a petition update on change.org. (RT)

Child Suicide Bomber Surrenders to Police

KABUL - A 12-year-old boy has surrendered in northern Sar-e-Pul province after allegedly escaping a training camp for child suicide bombers. According to the boy, he was trained for three months by Pakistanis to carry out suicide bombings. Abdul QayoumBaqizoy, Provincial Police Chief said that the boy was abducted while working as a shepherd in the provincial capital. "He was trained by the Pakistanis to carry out insurgency attacks - mainly suicide bombings but he escaped from them and surrendered to police," he said. ... (More on P4)... (18)



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An Afghan police officer stands in front of a pile of burning narcotics in the outskirts of Kabul. Eighteen tons of narcotics which were seized in the past year around Kabul by Afghan security forces, were destroyed according to the Ministry of Counter Narcotics. (Reuters/Ahmad Masood)

About 40 ISIS Terrorists Killed

KABUL - At least 39 members of the Daesh militant group have been killed in separate mop-up operations by Afghan security forces backed by military aircraft in Nangarhar province, officials said Sunday. AttaullahKhogyani, the spokesman for the provincial governor, said that six Daesh terrorists were killed as Afghan fighter jets launched an operation in the Achin district of the beleaguered province, east of the capital, Kabul, the previous night. Earlier on Saturday, 33 Daesh terrorists were killed and four others injured during an Afghan army ground offensive in the same district of Nangarhar Province.



Haji GhalibMujahid, the governor of Achin, said early last month that 32 Daesh terrorists had been slain in the area during a counter-terror operation. Ghalib said a radio base used by Daesh elements in Afghanistan to be in touch with fellow militants in Iraq and neighboring Syria was also destroyed in the operation. Nangarhar has been witnessing a rise in the number of Daesh terrorists in some of its districts in recent months. On June 16, the Afghan Taliban militant group warned Daesh ringleader, Ibrahim... (More on P4)... (19)



Afghan horsemen take part in a traditional game of Buzkashi in Herat, Afghanistan. 'Buzkashi' in the Dari language, widely spoken in Afghanistan, means 'goat grabbing' in English. The aim of the game is to snatch the carcass of a headless goat from the center of the field and carry it to the scoring zone. (EFE/EPA/JALIL REZAYEE)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



You are in no mood to be challenged today and may react defensively, even if you are not the target of someone's resistance. A lingering issue could push you dangerously close to an emotional meltdown. You can feel the heat rising from the bottom of the volcano and are driven to express your unresolved issues. Nevertheless, it works in your favor if you make your point in a constructive manner.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



Your desire to stick to your routine today might create unnecessary tension, even if you truly believe your actions are justifiable. Obstinate hiding behind a wall without expressing your feelings can lead to resentment on all fronts. The current emotional waves may be intense, but surfing them is healthier than trying to hold back the tide. If initiating an honest dialogue doesn't heal the conflict.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



Although everything might seem like a struggle today, don't let your fear prevent you from doing what you know is right. You may be worried about the changing dynamics of a relationship because you are being pressured by events that you can't control. You could be tempted to sidestep a potentially uncomfortable encounter, but it's wiser to face the music while it's still playing. Honor your truth no matter what.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



You can navigate through the challenges of the day with flying colors if you maintain your integrity and remember to treat everyone with respect and kindness. However, if you are holding onto an old grudge, any interaction might unexpectedly explode into an emotional confrontation. Ironically, your fear of losing control could be the catalyst that drags you into a melodramatic standoff.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



Although a person, place or thing looked promising in the past, there is information coming to light now that could drastically change your opinion. Conflicts arise because your agenda is set in stone and you are driven to manifest your dreams. However, your ambitions seem to have a life of their own. Consider preemptively tempering your goals for the sake of harmony.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



Someone is undermining your efforts today and the situation is so complex that it could weigh heavy on your mind. One obvious tactic is to analyze what you may have done to arouse such opposition. Much to your chagrin, it might be necessary to confront others about their behavior. However, it's to your advantage to alter your own course of action, too. You are blessed with an opportunity to resolve your emotional issues now.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



A close friend or relative may be on your case today. You realize that a rapid response is necessary, but you're flummoxed as to how best to proceed. Talking about your various choices won't help you get what you want now, but a serious conversation could still be useful as long as you don't stop at idle conversation. You must be willing to fight for your convictions.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



You're so supercharged with emotions that sometimes they can be more than you want to handle. Your two planetary rulers, warrior Mars and unrelenting Pluto, are dynamically squaring off in a cosmic battle of wills, cranking up your passions to record heights. Even if you manage to turn down the volume on your feelings during the day, you still must deal with them in the dark quiet of the night.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



Don't expect to get any rest and relaxation today. In fact, you can accomplish much more than you realize if you set your mind on a specific goal. Nevertheless, you still might encounter strong resistance from others who question your motives. You may be willing to do anything to prove your competence, so be careful not to exhaust yourself now by trying to achieve the impossible.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



You're given a rare opportunity to conquer your fears now, especially if you're willing to re-experience the pain of an old emotional wound. Your natural tendency is to avoid the full power of your feelings by shifting the spotlight onto outer accomplishments, instead. But it's not about making a splash in the real world today; gratefully accept this cosmic gift by focusing on the spiritual transformation.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

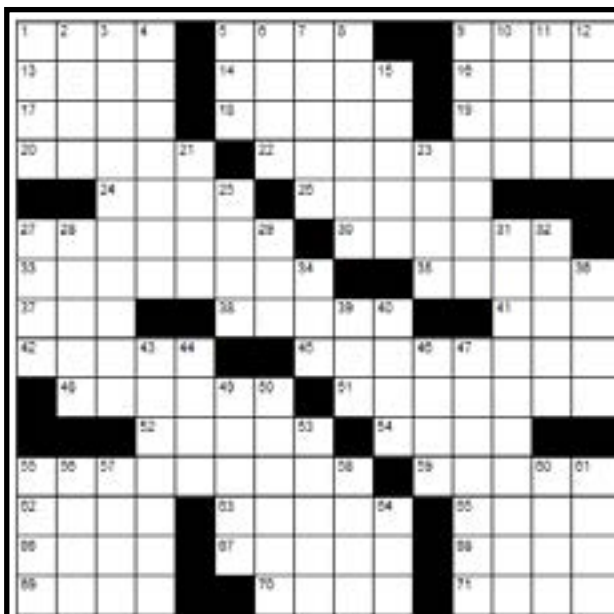


It might appear as if you're engaging in a battle with your family and friends today, rather than working or playing with them. Although the circumstances may feel extreme, things are not really that black or white. Unfortunately, gray middle ground is difficult to find now because you're so close to the problem, but still can't fix it. Don't lose your sharp perspective.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



Your involvement in a surprising emotional showdown today could add unwanted turmoil to your life. Although it may seem as if the problem originates with others, at least half of this conflict is contained within the confines of your own mind. You can aim the dynamics toward a peaceful resolution by simply taking your fair share of the responsibility for the current unstable situation. Change yourself before attempting to change anyone else.



Across

- 1. Twin sister of Ares, 5. Competent, 9. Religious splinter group, 13. Typeface, 14. Perch, 16. Operatic solo, 17. Visage, 18. Aroused, 19. Adolescent, 20. Sound of contempt, 22. Youths with shaved heads, 24. Hotfooted, 26. Besmirch, 27. Be uncomfortably hot, 30. Not these or those, 33. Lurched, 35. Mountain crest, 37. Citrus drink, 38. Aqualung, 41. Spy agency, 42. A forehead dot, 45. Bettors, 48. Smells, 51. Get worse, 52. Hops, 54. Nothing (British), 55. Paving material, 59. Tattles, 62. Humdinger, 63. Wear away, 65. Beige, 66. Anagram of "Sage", 67. Wall uprights, 68. Generous slice of the pie, 69. Where a bird lives, 70. Cease, 71. Views.

Down

- 1. F F F F, 2. A soft sheepskin leather, 3. Unable to express yourself, 4. Germless, 5. Genus of macaws, 6. Fronts of ships, 7. Glances, 8. Inuit, 9. Meal provider, 10. Component of urine, 11. Mised, 12. Bronzes, 15. Basic belief, 21. French for "Head", 23. Laugh, 25. Lairs, 27. Anagram of "Cabs", 28. Gulleys, 29. Record (abbrev.), 31. Container, 32. Mixes, 34. Excavated, 36. Convenience, 39. Tavern, 40. Ends a prayer, 43. Repel, 44. Writing fluids, 46. An indistinct shapeless form, 47. Anarchical, 49. Toys with tails, 50. Athletics, 53. Muzzle, 55. Custard dessert, 56. Olympic sled, 57. Beers, 58. Cocoyam, 60. Scottish hillside, 61. U-boats, 64. Clairvoyant's gift.

Yesterday's Solution



annoy, bandage, basket, bobbles, branch, cinnamon, concrete, considerate, corner, couple, deflate, display, drift, elude, flirt, float, foist, forest, free, funny, maritime, mouse, orange, party, playful, port, procession, rite, roast, spit, taps.

