



U.S. Commander Lifts Secrecy on Aid to Afghan Army

WASHINGTON - The U.S. military has performed another U-turn and will publicly release information about its aid for Afghan forces, after coming under criticism for declaring the data top secret, officials said Monday.

The commander of U.S. and NATO troops in Afghanistan, Gen. John Campbell, had classified details of the assistance program for Afghan security forces, warning that the data could be exploited by Taliban insurgents.

His move drew ... (More on P4)... (9)



Tajikistan, Finland and Afghanistan to Carry out Geophysical Surveys

DUSHANBE - Issues related to geophysics have reportedly been discussed ... (More on P4)... (10)



Invitation to Tender No. 83194037 for Transportation Service

GIZ (German International Cooperation) is a German organization working for a long time in different sectors in Afghanistan for development of the country.

In order to facilitate and ensure timely transportation of goods and stationaries to almost all the 34 provinces of Afghanistan, GIZ is going to make a **frame-work contract** with a transport company as per to the following conditions.

1. Contract period: from 01.Feb.2015 to 31.Mar.2016
2. Deliveries: From Kabul to the relevant province of Afghanistan.
3. Number of delivery per Year/Province: Upon request.
4. Estimated delivery weight per year: 145.000 kg.
5. Amount of weight per shipment: 50 to 5.000kg.
6. Price Scale: The price range should be given as below.

Weight Range	Province: Helmand		Province: Kandahar		Province: Mazar		Province: Herat	
	Price	Time	Price	Time	Price	Time	Price	Time
50 to 100 kg								
101 to 200 kg								
201 to 500 kg								
501 to 2.000 kg								
2.001 to 5.000 kg								

The table should be extended to include all provinces.

7. Delivery time: The time needed for each province must be mentioned, realistic dates are needed.
8. Freight conditions: House-to-house, prices for loading up and unload should be included.
9. Delivery guarantee: The Transporter must guarantee the safe and timely delivery of goods and informs how he deals in case of damages and losses of goods.
10. Note: Offers which includes only some provinces are also accepted; please mention your regular tour schedules so far existing.
11. Payment: GIZ pays immediately after receiving the original invoice and receipt-confirmation of the consignee.

The interested transport companies who would like to enter into a contract with us, according to the above mentioned conditions are highly encouraged to send their offers along with the documents showing their abilities, experiences and recommendations in sealed envelopes subjected "**Offer for Transportation Service: Tender # 83194039**" to the reception in the below address at **8th February, 2015** not later than 4:00 pm. Offers which are received after the mentioned date are not accepted.

GIZ Office Kabul, H: # 161, Str. # 5, Taimani, Kabul, Afghanistan

Note: in case of questions you can contact the following address:
E-mail: Momtaz.sultan-qaderi@giz.de
Phone: 0093 795 067 693

Kandahar Puts 4 Mineral Deposits on Offer

KANDAHAR CITY - Despite insecurity, four mines of lead, zinc and talc have been put on offer to launch their survey and extraction in southern Kandahar province, an official says.

During an exclusive interview with ... (More on P4)... (13)

Hundreds Attend Anti-Wolesi Jirga Rally in Parwan

CHARIKAR - Hundreds of people on Tuesday staged a protest demonstration in the capital of central Parwan province against a recent Wolesi Jirga decision.

On Wednesday, the lower house rejected a clause of the law on provincial councils, barring the elected bodies from overseeing the performance of local departments. ... (More on P4)... (14)

Ghani Orders Experts to Devise Strategy for Wheat Autarky

KABUL - President Ashraf Ghani has directed the authorities concerned to come up within two weeks with a strategy enabling Afghanistan to become self-sufficient in wheat production.

The president issued the directives at a meeting with agriculture and rural development ... (More on P4)... (11)



Female Activists Rally against Women's Absence in Cabinet

KABUL - Dozens of female activists staged a protest on Tuesday in Kabul against the absence of women in the so far new cabinet after almost one-third of cabinet, all of them men, was confirmed by the Parliament last week. Demanding that broad political

role should be provided to women, the protestors criticized the government for failing to practice their commitments of allotting a number of seats to women in the new cabinet.

One of the points agreed by President Ashraf ... (More on P4)... (12)



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