

# Afghan-US Forces Deal Critical Blows to Islamic State Terror Operations

KABUL - The Interior Ministry said Monday the strikes targeted IS hideouts in Naziyan and Achin districts of Nangarhar province, which borders Pakistan.

"The station was broadcasting illegally across Nangarhar, spreading the group's extremist messages and issuing threats to the people and governmental staffs," according to a ministry statement. Afghan and U.S. drones have previously knocked down several IS radio stations in the region but the group always manages to resume its broadcasts in several languages from another location.

IS Afghan chief killed

On Sunday, both Afghan and U.S. military officials confirmed the head of IS in Afghanistan, Sheikh Abdul Hasib, was killed in the April 27 combined attack against a cave-and-tunnel complex in Achin. ...*(More on P4)...(18)*



## 34 Daesh Killed in Air Force Operation in Nangarhar



KABUL - At least 34 Daesh insurgents were killed and a radio station belonging to the group was destroyed during air force operations in eastern Nangarhar in the past 24 hours, the Ministry of Interior (MoI) said in a statement on Monday.

"In the past 24 hours, 34 Daesh terrorists were killed and a radio station run by Daesh terrorists was destroyed after the Afghan Air Force targeted militant hideouts in the Naziyan and Achin districts of eastern Nangarhar province," read the statement.

"The station was broadcasting illegally across Nangarhar, spreading the group's extremist messages and issuing threats to people and government staff," the statement said.

This comes after the Afghan government and U.S. officials confirmed the death of Abdul Haseeb Logari and other high-ranking Daesh insurgents in a joint operation in Nangarhar. ...*(More on P4)...(20)*

## ISIS-K Leader Killed in Afghan-US Raid

KABUL - Afghan and US forces have confirmed Sheikh Abdul Hasib, the leader of (ISIS-K) in Afghanistan, was killed in a combined raid in eastern Nangarhar province on April 27.

The raid conducted by Afghan Special Security Forces (Kitah Khas), in partnership with US troops, also resulted in the deaths of several other high-ranking ISIS-K leaders and 35 fighters, a statement from the US military said.

"This successful joint operation is another important step in our relentless campaign to defeat ISIS-K in 2017," said General John Nicholson, Commander U.S. Forces - Afghanistan.

"This is the second ISIS-K emir we have killed in nine months, along with dozens of their leaders and hundreds of their fighters. For more than two years, ISIS-K has waged a barbaric campaign of death, torture and ...*(More on P4)...(19)*



## Logar Schoolteachers Fight against Forces in Taliban Ranks

PUL-I-ALAM - Dozens of schoolteachers in the ranks of Taliban insurgents are fighting against government security forces in central Logar province, local officials claimed on Monday.

Logar governor's spokesman, Salim Saleh, alleged these ...*(More on P4)...(21)*



## US Drone Strike Kills 6 Taliban Militants in Wardak Province

KABUL - At least six militants of the Taliban radical group have been killed as a result of the US drone strike in Wardak province, local media reported Monday citing a spokesman for the provincial governor.

Abdul Rahman Mangal told TOLO news outlet that the strike took place on Sunday in Maidan Shar, the provincial capital. "The Taliban's local commanders are also among the dead," Mangal told the media. Afghanistan has been facing instability for many years, with government troops fighting against Islamic extremists and terror organizations. (Sputnik)

## 1 Civilian Killed, 3 Injured in Khost Blast

KHOST CITY - One civilian has been killed and three others, including a child, wounded in a roadside blast in southeastern Khost province, an official said on Monday.

Police Chief Brig. Gen. Faizullah Ghairat told Pajhwok Afghan News the incident happened Sunday evening in Derai area of Khost City, the provincial capital.

He said a sick person was being carried out in the car to for medical treatment when the vehicle struck by a roadside bomb. ...*(More on P4)...(22)*

## 7 Suspects Arrested After Deadly Clash in Panjsher

PARAKH - Seven people have been detained for involvement in an armed clash between two families that resulted in the killing of three people in central Panjsher province, an official said on Monday.

Deputy police chief, Col. Najmuddin, told Pajhwok Afghan News the clash took place in the Pojawa area of Hesa-i-Doyem district late on Sunday. The fight involving cousins took place after children of the two families clashed.

One man named as Mohammad Gul was killed from one family while Gulistan and Langar Khan from the second family lost their lives in the clash, he said. Najmuddin added three people from one family and four from the other had been arrested.

About a year back, three people had been killed in a similar incident in the Abdulkhel area of the same district. (Pajhwok)



## 20 Suspected Gunmen Detained by Kapisa Police

MAHMUD RAQI - Twenty suspected gunmen, travelling from the Sarobi district of Kabul to northern Afghanistan, have been arrested in central Kapisa province.

Police spokesman Mohammad Ayub Yousafzai told Pajhwok Afghan News the men were arrested in Awal Kohistan district of the province late on Sunday.

He said the gunmen travelling in a Hino-type vehicle were arrested by police in the Sherkat area of the district. The detainees were currently under investigation, he added.

Yousafzai said preliminary investigations showed the men wanted to join militant groups in the northern part of the country. On the other hand, he said Afghan Special Forces arrested two men with weapons and explosives in the Shokhi area of Mahmud Razi, the provincial capital, last night.

A year back, around 50 suspects had been arrested with weapons by police in Kapisa, but they were released after investigations. (Pajhwok)

### Outlook Horoscope

#### Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



You're at the top of your professional game but that may not be enough for you now. You are in touch with a deep and powerful force that's propelling you along in your career or bringing you additional recognition within your community. You can sense that you're right on the edge of a major breakthrough, but you can't tell what's on the other side of the wall.

#### Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



Your thoughts are running through your brain at the speed of light today, but you appear calm, cool and collected on the outside. Unfortunately, trying to unify these diverging energies could be a hopeless task that leads to frustration. Ironically, the stress dissipates quickly once you realize you don't have to resolve your current dilemma. You can continue to watch the inner show.

#### Gemini (May 21-June 20)



You can fulfill other people's expectations today by participating in animated dialogue that's peppered with witty repartee. But you're only half engaged while your other half is contemplating the mysteries of the cosmos. You're being swept up in a whirlwind of innovative ideas that offer multidimensional perspectives. You know where your heart is, but you're not talking about these inner explorations now.

#### Cancer (June 21-July 20)



You surprise everyone with your original ideas today because they are so different from what anyone expects. In fact, you might even wonder about the source of this sudden mental creativity. Oddly enough, your inner directed cyber-acrobatics may require external stimulation or your brain will go quiet. Being around others feeds a very deep feeling that goes beyond language.

#### Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



Your penchant for details today is only surpassed by your unwavering determination. Whether at home or on the job, you're not interested in just doing enough to get by. You want to wow your audience with a performance that takes control and leaves them gasping in awe. As hyperbolic as this sounds, you can do it as long as you have clear and honorable intentions.

#### Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



You Virgos are the champions of narrowing your focus so you can concentrate on the minutiae; however, you've been given a "Get Out of Details Free" card today. Sometimes the little things are best left sorting themselves out on their own. Rather than contracting your field of vision, open your eyes and ears, and stretch your awareness as far as you can.

#### Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



The most important experiences in your life now defy communication; there is a subterranean river of energy that runs out of sight and out of mind. Thankfully, you have the ability to float on this imaginary but not unreal stream of consciousness today, even if you can't share your experience with others. Nevertheless, there's still plenty to talk about and you won't be at a loss for words.

#### Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



You're in your own element today because everyone seems to be plugged into a deeper level of emotions. Often, this kind of intensity scares people off, but now they seem to gain a sense of comfort as they connect with you. Naturally, you're no stranger to extreme feelings and your familiarity with these realms is useful for putting your friends at ease.

#### Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



It feels as if you had a personality makeover, but on the surface nothing has changed. Your heart is happy and it's speaking with a clear voice. Fortunately, you're listening and ready to take immediate action. But prior to initiating any big moves, reconsider your plan one more time and make sure it's as practical as possible. Computer scientist Linus Torvalds said, "I'm generally a very pragmatic person

#### Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



Although you're often willing to make a commitment, there's no stopping you today once you do. No one should take it personally if they draw your wrath because you're on a singular mission to accomplish your goals. Unfortunately, you can inadvertently hurt someone as you ride roughshod toward your victory. But there's always the possibility of an instantaneous awakening just in the nick of time.

#### Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)



Your friends and associates may be sorely disappointed if they believe they can change your mind. You already know your limits, what you're willing to share and what you'll keep to yourself. Unfortunately, you might be so good at hiding any emotions that make you feel vulnerable, no one will even realize there's more to the story than what is apparent.

#### Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



You're not one to waste words today, but neither will you remain silent until you clear the air of unexpressed feelings. Perhaps your personal agenda clashes with the will of your coworkers, but you're not willing to bury your heart's desires. Nevertheless, it's crucial to choose your battles wisely. If your differences are about basic core values, it's imperative that you step forward and get the whole issue on the table.

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**Across**

1. Smudge, 5. Loose flesh under the jaws, 10. Tatters, 14. Pear-shaped instrument, 15. Not cool, 16. Wings, 17. Leave out, 18. Endanger, 20. God of wine, 22. A canvas shoe, 23. Goblin, 24. Amount of hair, 25. Furnace, 32. European blackbird, 33. Deploy, 34. Mayday, 37. Beseech, 38. Make a parody of, 39. Grumble, 40. Soak, 41. Visitor, 42. Back tooth, 43. Compulsively, 45. Gesture of indifference, 49. Mineral rock, 50. Spotter, 53. Lithesome, 57. Unfeeling, 59. Relating to aircraft, 60. C C C C, 61. Electronic letters, 62. Badgers, 63. Anagram of "Sees", 64. Squalid, 65. "Iliad" city

**Down**

1. Untidy one, 2. Mountain lion, 3. Ear-related, 4. In an ill-natured manner, 5. Chewy jelly candy, 6. 1 1 1 1, 7. Which person?, 8. What we kiss with, 9. Extent, 10. Radiolocation, 11. Same, 12. Stares, 13. Clairvoyants, 19. Attempt again, 21. Sharpen, 25. Rapsallions, 26. Roman emperor, 27. Outcropping, 28. Sexually assaults, 29. Got up, 30. Moves briskly, 31. Buffoon, 34. A period of discounted prices, 35. By mouth, 36. Agile, 38. A type of large sandwich, 39. Pledge, 41. 60s dancers, 42. Bog, 44. Alone, 45. Slash, 46. Houses, 47. Hemp cords, 48. An edict of the Russian tsar, 51. Applications, 52. An indefinite period, 53. Slender, 4. Beloved, 55. Therefore, 56. Optimistic, 58. Bleat,

**Yesterday's Solution**

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