

Iranian ISIS Militant Arrested in Nangarhar

KABUL - An Iranian national fighting with the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) terrorist group militants has been arrested by the Afghan security forces in eastern Nangarhar province. The provincial police commandment in a statement said an Iranian national identified as Yasir was arrested during a search operation conducted in the vicinity of Haska Mina district. The statement further added that another suspect was also arrested together with Yasir on charges of fighting for the ISIS terrorist group in Afghanistan. The detained individuals are in the custody of the counter-terrorism directorate of Nangarhar police commandment, the statement said, adding that an investigation is underway from the suspects. Nangarhar is among the relatively calm provinces in eastern Afghanistan but the anti-government armed militant groups have recently increased their insurgency activities in some parts of the province during the recent years. The Afghan security forces are currently busy conducting counter-terrorism operations ...*(More on P4)...(18)*

Raziq Accuses NUG Elements of Trying to Destabilize Kandahar

KABUL - Kandahar's police chief General Abdul Raziq on Friday spoke out about elements within the National Unity Government and accused them of wanting to destabilize Kandahar province. Speaking at an event on Friday, Raziq said that these elements want to destabilize Kandahar, like that of Helmand and Uruzgan provinces. "Kandahar's insecurity is not by accident but there are some elements from within central government who are working on the process," Raziq said. "Our province's talented people are not hired in government and the war in southern provinces has been imposed and this is intentional," said Lalai Hamidzai and MP. Meanwhile, a number of participants at the event said the central government is ignoring the southern provinces. "Our talented people from the south west zone have been fired and no chance of work is given to them and the government pays no attention to the ...*(More on P4)...(20)*



2 Rebels, 3 Wounded in own Mine Explosion

FARAH - Two militants were killed three others injured when a mine they were planting went off in the Anar Dara district of western Farah province on Saturday, an official said. Iqbal Bahar, the governor spokesman told Pajhwok Afghan News the incident happened in the Gargak district. Taliban have not commented about the blast as yet. *(Pajhwok)*

Dozens Dead in Violence as Ramadan Begins

KABUL - A suspected suicide bomber killed as many as 14 people in Khost province on Saturday and fighting between militants and security forces left at least 36 people dead on the first day of holy Month of Ramadan. In eastern Khost province, a Taliban attacker detonated a car bomb near a football field that is close to a military base, officials said. At a local hospital, doctors received at least 14 dead bodies and eight wounded people, said Gul Mohamaddin Mangal, head of the public health department in Khost. "The bodies are not recognizable and it is hard to say if they are civilians or security forces," he said. Najib Danish, spokesman for the Afghan Interior Ministry, put the death toll at 13 killed and eight wounded, including two children. Taliban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid claimed responsibility for the Khost attack, saying it was aimed at members ...*(More on P4)...(19)*



43 Insurgents Killed in Past 24 Hours: MoD

KABUL - Forty-three militants have been killed, 18 wounded and two captured alive during operations over the past 24 hours in various provinces, the Ministry of Defense said on Friday. The dead militants included three commanders, the ministry said in a statement. The operations were conducted in Nangarhar, Laghman, Kapisa, Paktia, Paktika, Khost, Ghazni, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Badghis, Herat, Farah, Kun-



duz, Faryab, Baghlan, Badakhshan and Helmand provinces. A base of the Taliban was destroyed as a result of an airstrike in southern Helmand province, the brief statement said. *(Pajhwok)*

8 Wardak Police Charged with Neglect of Duty

KABUL - Eight police officers have been referred to the judicial organs in central Maidan Wardak province for allegedly committing negligence in duty, an official said on Friday. Maidan Wardak police chief Brig. Gen. Ahmad Fahim Qaim said the eight officers had committed negligence in preventing a Taliban attack that left an Afghan local police member four days ago in the



Syedabad district. The police chief did not identify the police officers and warned every officer committing negligence in duty would be dealt with in accordance with the law. Previously five police officers had been referred to the judicial organs for different charges. *(Pajhwok)*

Nangarhar Residents Turn on Daesh, Kill 15

JALALABAD - At least 15 Daesh militants were killed in a clash with civilians on Friday in Nangarhar province, local officials said Saturday. The clash occurred in Wach Kot village of Kot district on Friday evening, after Daesh militants tried to capture a local resident who the group claimed had been spying on them, said Attaullah Khogyani, the provincial governor's spokesman.

The residents resisted Daesh's move and a gunfight ensued. However, six civilians, including a woman were killed in the incident, Khogyani said. Fifteen Daesh militants were also killed in the clash, Khogyani added. Daesh has been particularly active in Nangarhar province in the past few months - especially in Achin, Kot, Naryan and Charparhar districts of the province. *(Tolnews)*



13 Insurgents Killed in Kunduz Drone Strike

KUDUZ CITY - At least 13 armed insurgents were killed in a foreign troops drone attack on Friday in Kunduz province, Kunduz police said Saturday. The strike was conducted in Chardara district of

Kunduz province, police said. According to Kunduz police three insurgent commanders are also among those killed. No information was provided about civilian casualties. *(Tolnews)*

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)

 Navigating through emotional territory is like driving on a mountain road without guardrails. Fortunately, you can avoid the problems associated with losing control of a situation by gradually applying the brake before there's an emergency. Unfortunately, you can't rely on others for an early warning because they might be cheering on your reckless behavior today.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)

 You encounter unexpected resistance today from someone you thought was on your side. You assumed that a close friend would be your biggest supporter and you might feel disappointed when you realize you're on your own. Don't waste valuable time or energy trying to convince anyone to return to your camp.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

 You may be more worried today than people realize, but that's because you're a bit of a magician when you want to keep others from getting too close. Unfortunately, your cleverness can backfire, preventing your best friend or lover from helping you deal with the very thing that's causing you concern. It takes courage to be honest with others when you're not living up to your own standards.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)

 You continue to be an emotional being in a world where it's often prudent to tightly wrap your feelings up in the logic of the day. However, the drive to express your heart's desires in the safety of a stable relationship is fundamental to your wellbeing. Although you might be tempted to withdraw into your shell, growth occurs now from opening up. Self-disclosure is a rough road today be-

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)

 Everyone might be encouraging you to take your brilliant ideas to a larger audience, but you're not sure this strategy is in your best interest. You like the idea of receiving accolades for your creativity, but you think something magical will be sacrificed in the translation during a rehearsed performance. You're not eager to tighten up your act too much now because it could lose its spark of spontaneity.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)

 You're focused on the distant future today but might not say much about it. The Moon's current visit to your 11th House of Dreams and Wishes inspires you to create compelling sequels to your favorite fantasies. Nevertheless, you can't go overboard now without risking everything. Adopt a sustainable pace that won't provoke much resistance. Unfortunately, if you jump ahead too quickly, you'll be sent back to the beginning of the line to start over again.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

 You may be overly concerned about anyone who doesn't want to participate in your community-building project today. Instead of relaxing and going with the flow, you might choose to tighten the reins. For example, filling in the details of someone's schedule leaves little time to pursue more questionable eccentricities. Nevertheless, exerting too much control now is a tactic that will cost you later on when the tables are turned.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)

 Sometimes you wish money problems would just solve themselves on their own. However, much to your chagrin, they rise and fall like ocean waves. One day your cash flow is not flowing, and on another day, prosperity is abundant in your little kingdom. Nevertheless, you might need to face the fiscal music now and restructure some part of your financial picture.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)

 You're the serious one in a relationship now, especially if your significant other is not quite ready to settle down. This push-pull dynamic makes it easier for you to move closer while your partner is in retreat. Nevertheless, independent Mars opposes restrictive Saturn, triggering your relationship houses. Stop trying so hard to fix what isn't broken; observe your feelings without attempting to change them.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)

 You have all the right words at the tip of your tongue today, but you might hesitate to say them out loud if you think they reveal your vulnerability. You wish you could keep your conversations on a cool intellectual level, but you can't set aside your romantic inclinations now. Nevertheless, you're not necessarily feeling warm and fuzzy; instead, your need for clarity sharpens the edges between you and someone you love.

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Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)

 Balancing family activities with commitments made to your community or church can rekindle an unresolved issue in a personal relationship today. Clear communication is essential, but bringing up the subject doesn't mean you're any closer to agreement. Unfortunately, this may be one of those conflicts that doesn't have a quick solution, so you need to know when to back down.

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-71 indicating starting positions for words.

Across

1. Chip dip, 6. Probabilities, 10. Nile bird, 14. Property claims, 15. Head covering, 16. What a person is called, 17. Notions, 18. Sea eagle, 19. Streetcar, 20. Commit, 22. Border, 23. Indian dress, 24. An individual, 26. Stow, as cargo, 30. Implore, 31. Swerve, 32. Test, 33. Alley, 35. Sleeveless garments, 39. Annual book of information, 41. Put away a knife or sword, 43. Tubular pasta, 44. Despise, 46. Swerve, 47. Bamboozle, 49. Brassiere, 50. Type of sword, 51. Motor, 54. Satisfy, 56. Canvas, 57. Fair, 63. Largest continent, 64. Little dent, 65. Utilize again, 66. Breathe hard, 67. Behold, in old Rome, 68. Delete, 69. If not, 70. Accomplishment, 71. Handouts,

Down

1. Faux pas, 2. Assistant, 3. Lascivious look, 4. Break, 5. Donkeys, 6. Surpass, 7. Dispute a claim, 8. Effort, 9. Drowsy, 10. Interlace, 11. Poets, 12. Insect stage, 13. Seminal fluid, 21. Small drum, 25. Overhang, 26. Jump, 27. Spindle, 28. "Darn!", 29. Liberate, 34. Disaffected, 36. Stair, 37. You (archaic), 38. Arid, 40. A noble gas, 42. A low evergreen shrub, 45. Failure to be present, 48. Required, 51. French for "Storehouse", 52. Twangy, as a voice, 53. Smiles, 55. Dog-___, 58. Frailty, 59. Roman emperor, 60. Twofold, 61. Being, 62. D D D D,

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INACTIVITY ONLY
FTL YEAST IDOLS
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END SCOLDING
SWING BLOWY TOLL
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SLURP BERSSEEM
LATEX HOURI ACE
AMID TERRA GOTTA
SING AMENIT DEAN
SAGE GESTIE ENDS

accept, accumulate, ankle, badge, bottle, cancel, care, carry, coil, course, over, dense, drip, drive, dune, encounter, enter, family, fluid, function, gallop, hasten mall, melody, murder, ordinary, plate, poison, porch reason, refine, sell, speed

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