

### (1) Ghani Promises...

to have embezzled government." Transparency in contracts are in the interests of the Afghan people, Ghani added. Ghani told delegates that corruption needs to be stamped out. He says delegates are welcome to inform him of ministers guilty of corruption. In addition, Ghani thanked the youth for their sacrifices - mostly those in the security forces.

"The enemy has plotted to divide the country and those fighting are fighting an imposed war on Afghanistan so therefore all Afghans need to defend the country's sovereignty," Ghani said.

He called for time to build a solid foundation for Afghanistan. "Our aim is to develop Afghanistan," Ghani said adding that people must stay to help build their country and concentrate on reforms.

"Reforms must be based on principles and not on individuals." He said today a cause for concern among the people was that of the economy. "Our country is a potentially rich country but instead people are living in poverty. Unity and a clear view should be established to utilize these resources."

Speaking to conference delegates Ghani stated there are those who want to destroy the system.

"Corrupt individuals are waiting to destroy the system," Ghani said.

Ghani claims that both war and peace come at a price but neither should affect the country's constitution. (Tolonews)

### (2) Kabul, Oslo ...

has not been made clear.

According to both ministers an agreement was reached between Kabul and Oslo to repatriate the migrants. In turn they called on Afghans not to make their way to Norway as they will not be accepted.

Hattrem said at a press conference after the meetings that the two deputy ministers visited Kabul

"Important for the credibility of the asylum system is that asylum seekers who do not qualify for assistance permits return home," he said.

"It is the responsibility of the country of citizenship to receive them," he added.

He said he had held good talks with senior officials including Ghani and Abdullah on these issues.

"And we welcome the recent statement from the president's office that Afghanistan is obliged to accept its citizens whose asylum applications have been rejected."

"We appreciate and look forward to continued cooperation with the government and all the relevant partners on migration and returns."

This comes after Norwegian media reported recently that the vast majority of refugees streaming into Norway over its northern border with Russia don't qualify for asylum and will be sent back, either to Russia or their homelands.

According to local media reports, Kallmyr said most of the roughly 4,000 asylum seekers who have already arrived from Russia will likely be deported.

Kallmyr said last week that Norway intends to halt the influx of asylum seekers over the Russian border. After registering only 10 asylum seekers arriving at the far northern border last year, the numbers have exploded to more than 4,000 this year.

"Almost all" now are from Afghanistan, he said.

According to him, they will also be returned, if not to Russia, to Afghanistan. Even though it won't be possible to put rejected Afghan refugees on chartered flights direct from Kirkenes to Kabul, because the Afghan government won't grant landing rights to such flights, Norway will use regularly chartered flights to return the Afghan citizens.

Among measures agreed on by government ministers to tighten Norwegian asylum procedures is a demand that any country accepting foreign aid from Norway must go along with the return of their own citizens.

Afghanistan continues to receive hundreds of millions of kroner worth of aid every year, Kallmyr noted. (Tolonews)

### (3) Rabbani, Balkhi ...

refugee commission has been established. This is being led by President Ashraf Ghani," he said.

He also said that the government is in constant talks with the UNHCR over the issue.

He went on to say that although government has agreements in place with some countries over refugees, these agreements are being reviewed. He also said that countries that have rejected some refugees, particularly those who are ill, have been asked to review their decisions.

"Government has also asked Germany not to repatriate Afghans that they have rejected," he said.

Rabbani stated his ministry is working closely with the Ministry of Refugees and Repatriation and its Minister Sayed Hussain Alimi Balkhi about this issue and are in talks with migrant organizations.

Balkhi, who also addressed the MPs said that so long as there is war, Afghans will continue to leave the country.

He said that insecurity and the withdrawal of foreign troops from Afghanistan has had an impact on the current refugee crisis.

Balkhi said that there are two ways to stop people from leaving. One is to motivate them to stay and the second one is to implement practical measures to help them.

He also said his ministry has been closely involved in making would-be migrants aware of the dangers involved in fleeing the country and that they have initiated a campaign to warn would-be migrants of the hardships they would face while traveling to Europe.

He said his ministry has appealed to religious scholars and the media to speak to the public and discourage them from leaving.

He however pointed out that there are agreements in place with some countries to take in refugees and that government will not accept repatriations from these countries.

Balkhi did not however name the countries concerned. (Tolonews)

### (4) Afghan ...

and Afghanistan were brotherly Islamic countries and shared common religion, history and culture.

Speaking on the occasion, Din Mohammad said that President Ashraf Ghani and Chief Executive Abdullah Abdullah were making efforts to restore viable peace to Afghanistan.

He said efforts were also underway to pave the way for the second round of talks between the Afghan government and the Taliban after negotiations were held in Murree. Din Mohammad added that Afghanistan hailed the efforts of its neighbours for the establishment of peace in the region. (Agencies)

### (5) Peace in ...

"Peace in the country means the end of war not any other deal. The constitution and national values should be respected," President Ghani said.

Ashraf Ghani was said to consider Afghanistan an independent country; declaring, the donor countries pay and support our country's security and development budgets.

he further added that around 16500 persons are land grabbers in Afghanistan and closed contracts in the past was not based on law.

Afghanistan president once again emphasized that those who are seeking for division of Afghanistan geography would not reach their targets and called on youths to rule the country by their own to go forward to a lasting stability. (ATN)

### (6) Afghanistan Still...

cooperation in fight against terrorism, saying currently terrorists of many countries are in war in Afghanistan.

2015 is on track to be the bloodiest year of the war for Afghan civilians - worse than 2014, when 3,000 civilians were killed.

Some 5,000 members of the Afghan military were killed in 2014, more than the number of US military personnel killed in 13 years of operations.

The defense ministry links the intensity of these insecurities to the previous year's operation in northern Waziristan of Pakistan.

"When Pakistani troops launched operations in 2014 in Waziristan, most of international terrorists reached to Afghanistan," Masoom Stanikzai, acting defense minister said.

Meanwhile, the 2015 fighting season between the Taliban and Afghan security forces is turning out to be the bloodiest on record since 2001.

Insecurity has increased in various degrees across the country. Civilian casualties have escalated, and Afghan security forces are challenged on the battlefield and suffering from sustainment problems. (ATN)

### (7) List of ...

Election Commission IEC and Independent Election Complain Commission IECC has been finalized.

Deputy of reformation committee for Election Sediqullah Tauhidi said, "the list has been finalized moreover the civil society activists has been the first institution introduced its representatives.

However President Deputy Spokesman Sayed Zafar Hashimi had told to media that due to no introduction of the representatives from the civil

society address the process is postponed.

Sediqullah Tauhidi deputy of the reformation committee for Election said, "Civil society institutions has delivered a letter with introduction of the same person whom was introduced in the past, there was a problem on correspondents representatives in the second session same person was introduced Mr. Hashimi didn't have enough information about it, same case was repeated while introduction of Human rights representative."

Officials in Electoral reformation committee believed that the selective committee of commissioners should begin its activities to avoid further delays of Parliamentary Election in the country. (ATN)

### (8) Paris Attacks...

is not a single fighter among the refugees is naive," Markus Soeder, a politician with the conservative Bavarian party CSU told the German press on Sunday.

"Paris changed everything" and "this is no time for uncontrolled immigration," said Soeder, whose party has been critical of German Chancellor Angela Merkel's accommodating stance on refugees.

Yet on Sunday European Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker defended the line that "there is no need for an overall review of the European policy on refugees."

The men made their comments days after a team of assailants launched coordinated attacks, claimed by the Islamic State group, in the French capital that killed at least 129 people.

The discovery of a Syrian passport near the body of one attacker has raised fears that some of the assailants might have entered Europe as part of the huge influx of people fleeing Syria's civil war.

Greek and Serbian authorities have confirmed the passport belonged to a man who registered as a refugee in October on the island of Leros and applied for asylum in Serbia a few days later.

In Croatia, which has become the main Balkan country of transit for migrants, Prime Minister Zoran Milanovic reminded that "closing (borders) and barbed wire does not prevent these kind of tragedies." (AFP)

### (9) Diplomatic Efforts...

completed the transition and the new leader Mullah Akhtar Mansoor is believed to have strengthened control over the group.

It was Mansoor who, with the approval of the powerful Leadership Council, had sent a team of senior Taliban leaders to attend the first round of talks, a senior Taliban leader privy to the internal discussions said. An eight-member delegation of senior Taliban leaders had arrived in Islamabad for the second round of talks on July 31, but negotiations were cancelled when Afghan intelligence revealed the death of Mullah Omar.

The first face-to-face talks between the representatives of the Afghan government and the Taliban in fourteen years were widely hailed across the world and all major players are now active in trying to get the process back on track.

These efforts have been stepped up at a time when the advent of winter could temper the Taliban attacks, creating a good opportunity to encourage political negotiations.

The recent visits to Islamabad by the UN Secretary General's Special Representative for Afghanistan, the U.S. and Chinese special envoys for the region were also seen as an integral part of these efforts as all threw their weight behind Pakistan's initiative to bring the Taliban to negotiation table.

Support for the Pakistani move is a strong indication that the international community is also keen for an early resumption of the stalled peace process in Afghanistan, which in many experts' view is the best course of action.

Pakistani civilian and military leaders have told the visiting foreign envoys that the country is ready to facilitate the next round of talks if the Afghan government and the Taliban are agreed on such a role.

"Pakistan would facilitate the resumption of the peace process, if approached by the Afghan government," Adviser on Foreign Affairs, Sartaj Aziz, told the UN envoy for Afghanistan, Nicholas Haysom, in Islamabad on Friday.

For his part, Haysom concurred that "intra-Afghan peace dialogue would require strong regional backing and expressed hope that Pakistan would continue to play its facilitative role," the Pakistani Foreign Ministry said. Just days ahead of the UNSG's representative's trip, the newly appointed

Chinese envoy to Afghanistan, Deng Xijun, wrapped up his visit to Islamabad and Kabul where he reiterated his country's support for peace and security in both countries and the region. (Xinhua)

### (10) Freedom of...

the review and soon the final results will be shared to Nation.

Releasing of Kabul Bank defaulter and giving him permission to invest a residential town in Kabul city has shocked Afghan Nation.

Head of the Integrity Watch in Afghanistan Sayed Ikram Afzaly said, "signing contract with a criminal is not only shocking news but also its an insult for Afghan Nation, those who are involved in releasing of Ferozi should be introduced to the people." Mp Daud Kalakani said, "Releasing of Ferozi is contrary to Afghanistan constitution, and the judicial system in the country, Mr. Ferozi has been released based on deal by some of the close Government figures, this issue should be pursued by the judicial and justice system."

There are ways for a prisoner to be released temporary from the jail, one is if someone guarantees the prison, but his freedom should be discussed, and President Mohamamd Ashraf Ghani has ordered seriously to see the case pursued Deputy Spokesman Hashimi said.

Khalilullah Ferozi is one of the Kabul bank defaulters who has been executed in the court and was put to jail for 10 years, it needs to be declared that who were involved in releasing Ferozi. (ATN)

### (11) Security Forces...

r was not easy for troops.

He said: "Through the efforts of the joint security forces we have retaken Dasht-e-Archi but the Taliban has fled the area."

CEO Abdullah Abdullah said during Monday's Council of Ministers meeting that the operation will continue until the elimination of all insurgents in that area.

"Afghan security forces' operations still continue in the Dasht-e-Archi area," he said.

According to intelligence reports at least 90 Taliban insurgents were killed during the operation.

Despite the Taliban having lost their key base, it is still proving difficult for troops to move forward in the remote area. (Tolonews)

### (12) We want ...

and the terror groups in Pakistani soil fighting against the Afghan government.

"We have repeatedly emphasized that as a legitimate government we want a permanent peace in Afghanistan, as always being said Afghanistan's peace process has two dimensions, the first dimension is Pakistan and the second is terror groups fighting from the Pakistani soil against Afghanistan," Sayed Zafar Hashimi, a spokesman for President Ghani said on Sunday.

Starting on Monday, Pakistan Army Chief, Raheel Sharif will visit US on his own as reportedly there was no official invitation from his American counterparts and Afghanistan's stalled peace process is at the top of agenda.

According to the reports by Pakistani newspaper Dawn news Gen Sharif would meet Vice President Joe Biden and other U.S. officials including Secretary of State John Kerry, Defence Secretary Ashton Carter, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen Joseph Dunford, Army Chief of Staff Gen Mark Milley and Director CIA John Brennan during his five day visit. (ATN)

### (13) 'Iran, Pakistan ...

(IRNA), Aizz Ahmad Chaudhry said: Peace and stability in Afghanistan is the most desirable objective that all neighbors of the country share.

"Iran is neighbor of Afghanistan; Iran is very important neighbor of Pakistan and we both have been working to make sure that there is peace in Afghanistan because we know that peaceful Afghanistan is in the interest of the whole region including Pakistan and Iran."

Responding to a question regarding possible consequences of growing tensions between Pakistan and Afghanistan in recent months, the foreign secretary said: "There is no change in Pakistan's policy on Afghanistan; we want to see a stable, peaceful and united Afghanistan, that would ensure peace in the region. IRNA)

### (14) Berlin to...

It is believed that the German and Afghan governments are already in talks regarding the issue and looking for ways to facilitate the return of the migrants.

The decision comes amid tough economic conditions for Afghans - many of whom blame the government for not being able to create jobs for the citizens.

In addition to this, the German embassy in Kabul has launched a campaign in cities in Afghanistan, including Kabul, to deter people from seeking refuge in Germany.

The campaign involves massive billboards stating: "You are leaving Afghanistan! Are you confident you will have a prosperous future abroad?" The campaign has been rolled out in Kabul city, Herat and Mazar-e-Sharif.

"Forty percent of migrants will be provided asylum. But those who fail to prove that their lives were in danger will be repatriated and this is in line with the laws of Germany and international laws," Potzel said.

Meanwhile, a number of Afghans have called on their countrymen to stay in the country and not endanger their lives further by fleeing to Europe. (Tolonews)

### (15) MPs Seek...

and judicial bodies to ensure those responsible are identified, arrested and brought to justice.

"The government of Afghanistan should use all available resources for a month [to track down the perpetrators]. If government says it is only busy with anti-terror operations, this would harm the credibility of security institutions. It is said that they [criminals] freely commute in the center of the city [Ghor]. They are criminals and are not related to armed groups," head of commission Fawzia Kofi said.

"Two incidents happened during the past three months in the country. The first case was the public lashing of a woman in a government controlled area. The government judge ordered the lashing verdict and the second tragedy is the stoning of Rukhshana," commission member Ruqia Nayel said. (Tolonews)

### (16) NPC Approves...

to the statement, 18 projects related to Da Afghanistan Bank, Office of Administrative Affairs, agriculture, public work, higher education, defense and interior ministries were reviewed in the NPC meeting on Saturday evening but 10 of them were approved.

AFs 1052 million were saved in three contracts of the ministries of defense and interior compare to previous years.

This year, NPC has saved more than Afg 9 billion in contracts compared to previous years. (KP)

### (17) Iran to Cut...

attacks in Paris which killed 129 people.

"The Iraqi foreign ministry warned us but the Islamic Republic of Iran's army states that it has no fear of such threats and a red line has been drawn in Iraq 40 kilometres (25 miles) from the border," Pourdastan said.

France, the United States and Iran were among the countries that Iraqi Foreign Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari said IS had targeted.

"We have strongly warned that if any action is taken (by IS), it will face a decisive response from Iranian armed forces and we will do the same in Afghanistan," Pourdastan said, quoted by state media.

"Today part of Daesh is in north Afghanistan and interested to approach Iran's border but the Iranian nation should rest assured that its sons in the army, the Guards, and police are ready," he added.

"Before the enemy reaches borders, its actions will be neutralised."

Iran's Revolutionary Guards Corps, which is independent of the army, has advisory missions in Iraq and Syria at the invitation of the Baghdad and Damascus governments. (AFP)

### (18) Pakistan...

neighboring, regional and the world's cooperation in wiping out extremist groups from the country.

Both equally Pakistan in addition to Afghanistan include falsely accused the other person of harbouring extremists on their gets, blaming the opposite regarding not complete.

This comes as Pakistani foreign ministry in a press conference in Islamabad said that Daesh militants are not in Pakistan and they would not allow any groups to contact with ISIS group. (ATN)

### (19) 200 Tajik, ...

Centre in Dushanbe opened in 2008. To date, SPCE has enrolled over 27,000 learners in Khorog and 16,000 learners in Dushanbe. Through partnerships with AKF and government agencies, UCA SPCE delivers courses in Afghanistan through three Satellite Learning Centers in Shugnan, Darwaz and Ishkashim districts

and a Continuing Education Unit at Badakhshan University in Faizabad city. (Asia-Plus)

### (20) G20 Leaders...

balanced growth. Growth is not picking up, trade is weak, and investment is slowing down. Some experts cautioned that a recession is imminent. Early in November, the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development trimmed its forecast for global economic growth to 2.9 percent this year and 3.3 percent in 2016, down from the previous predictions of 3.0 percent and 3.6 percent. The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has also made similar pessimist projections recently. (Xinhua)

### (21) Erdogan Hails ...

respond to a worldwide refugee crisis. "We call upon all states to contribute to responding to this crisis, and share in the burdens associated with it," they said in a final communique. (AFP)

### (22) Ministers ...

of services as a major drive of regional economy, citing that services make up about 67 percent of gross domestic product in the APEC region.

Earlier the day, Executive Director of the APEC Secretariat Alan Bolard said that the integration between manufacturing and services would have a big influence on regional economic growth, saying that non-tariff barriers such as regulation on moving capital, people, and data are major concerns blocking the boost of services. (Xinhua)

### (23) COP21 Seeks...

from it." Thiaw believes that one of the main challenges is that some parties may underestimate the long term impact global warming will have on nations and the next generation. (Xinhua)

### (24) France ...

to capital of al-Raqqa and its surroundings in northern Syria, amid a state of alert among IS militants in the city, according to the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights.

The French Defense Ministry said Sunday that French warplanes had conducted a series of "massive" airstrikes on al-Raqqa, destroying a key IS command center, a jihadist recruitment center, a munitions depot and a "terrorist" training camp. (Xinhua)

### (25) Putin to UK...

responsibility. Russia and Britain back opposing sides in Syria's four-and-a-half-year war. Moscow is supplying weapons to President Bashar al-Assad while London supports moderate opposition fighters. Both states have conducted air strikes against Islamic State there, but Western capitals have accused Moscow of focusing too little on Islamic State, while targeting Assad's enemies. "The prime minister absolutely made the point that you should be focusing on ISIL," a source in Cameron's office said, using one of the titles ascribed to Islamic State. "Putin said look we are seeking to do more to focus on ISIL." Hundreds of Russian and British citizens have joined Islamic State, raising fears they or their local networks, would stage attacks on their home soil. (Reuters)

### (26) U.S. Approves ...

now have 30 days to block the sale, although such action is rare since deals are carefully vetted before any formal notification. The proposed sale includes thousands of Paveway II, BLU-117 and other smart bombs, as well as thousands of Joint Direct Attack Munitions kits to turn older bombs into precision-guided weapons using GPS signals. (Reuters)

### (27) At Least 80,000...

many people residing in the northern coastal areas due to threats of further floods as all low coastal areas and causeways have gone under water, the army said. Similarly, the Navy with their boats are on standby to face any worse scenario with the escalation of torrential rains and they remain prepared to deploy its personnel on flood relief operations to render assistance to the people affected. (Xinhua)

### (28) Iraqi Security...

security members, while at least six IS vehicles were destroyed, the source said, citing initial reports. Meanwhile, the troops retook control of the Justice Palace compound in northern Ramadi after heavy bombardment by artillery and Iraqi aircraft, which forced IS militants to withdraw, paving the way for the troops to advance at the site, the source said. The compound includes main judicial institutions of the province and a prison. (Xinhua)