

# Armenia Attends NATO Summit

President Serzh Sargsyan attended and addressed on September 4 a NATO summit that was held in Wales amid the West's deepening standoff with Russia, Armenia's main ally, over the crisis in Ukraine.

The crisis is the main highlight of the two-day gathering, with NATO Secretary General Anders Fogh Rasmussen accusing Russia of "attacking Ukraine." U.S. President Barack Obama and the leaders of the 27 other members of the alliance discussed ways of supporting the embattled Ukrainian government.

Sargsyan's office was careful to emphasize that the Armenian leader is attending the summit in his capacity as head of a partner state involved in NATO's International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) in Afghanistan. Accordingly, he focused on some 120 Armenian soldiers currently serving there under German command. In his speech, Serzh Sargsyan said the contingent rotated on a regular basis has gained "invaluable experience" in Afghanistan.

"I will single out Armenia's productive cooperation with Germany, which is certainly a great example of interaction between NATO's member and partner states," Serzh Sargsyan said in a speech.



The Armenian president had not attended NATO summits since 2008. His decision to travel to Wales came at a delicate moment for Armenia, which is preparing to join a new alliance of ex-Soviet states led by a Russia increasingly at odds with Western powers.

Shortly after deciding to join the Customs Union of Russia, Belarus and

Kazakhstan last year, Sargsyan and his government made clear that they will continue to deepen Armenia's ties with NATO under an Individual Partnership Action Plan (IPAP) launched in 2004. Yerevan reaffirmed its stated commitment to the cooperation framework even after the outbreak of the Ukraine crisis that led to

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## U.S. Mediates More Aliyev-Sargsyan Talks

Seeking to break the deadlock in the Nagorno-Karabakh peace process, U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry organized a fresh meeting of the presidents of Armenia and Azerbaijan on the sidelines of a NATO summit late on September 4.

The three men spoke for about two hours in the presence of the Armenian and Azerbaijani foreign ministers and senior U.S. diplomats in a gold resort in Wales. No concrete agreements were announced after the talks.

According to the U.S. State Department, Kerry urged Presidents Serzh Sargsyan and Ilham Aliyev to "strictly respect the ceasefire and take additional steps to prepare their publics for peace." He at the same time praised Sargsyan and Aliyev for "agreeing to continue their dialogue on key elements of a settlement," said a spokeswoman for the department, Marie Harf.

"He called on the sides to enter into a more formal negotiation process under the auspices of the Minsk Group Co-Chairs as proposed by the Swiss Chairman-in-Office at the OSCE," Harf said in a press communique. "A sustained process is necessary to increase trust between the sides and build momentum towards a lasting peace that the people of the region deserve."

"The parties presented their positions in the negotiating process," Sargsyan's office said for its part. It said Kerry urged the two sides to reduce tensions in the Karabakh conflict zone, take confidence-building measures and demonstrate "the political will" to reach a compromise settlement.

Just before the trilateral meeting with Kerry, Sargsyan and Aliyev held separate talks with French President Francois



Hollande. According to Serzh Sargsyan's office, they discussed yet another Armenian-Azerbaijani summit which Hollande hopes to host soon. It gave no possible dates for that encounter.

Hollande called on Aliyev and Sargsyan to meet in Paris when he visited Baku and Yerevan in June. The U.S., and French and Russian mediators co-chairing the OSCE Minsk Groups had tried in vain to arrange such a meeting earlier this year, hoping that it will kick-start the stalled peace process.

Aliyev and Sargsyan met in the Russian city of Sochi on August 10 only after a sharp escalation of deadly fighting along "the line of contact" around Karabakh and the Armenian-Azerbaijani border. Ceasefire violations there have decreased dramatically since those talks mediated by Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Addressing the NATO summit earlier in the day, Sargsyan warned the U.S.-led

alliance against adding pro-Azerbaijani wording to the final summit declaration which he said is sought by Turkey. Highlighting the current atmosphere in the Karabakh peace process, he also branded Aliyev a "dictator."

"Either [the summit] will adopt the language of the OSCE Minsk Group, which is the only specialized international structure dealing with the Nagorno-Karabakh problem ... or will again succumb to lobbying by another member state aimed at saving the face of our dictator neighbor vis-a-vis his own people," he said. "Believe me, that would not lead to any positive results."

During its previous summits shunned by Sargsyan, NATO called for the resolution of ethnic disputes in the former Soviet Union reflecting only the principle of territorial integrity. A Karabakh settlement favored by the United States, Russia and France is also based on the principle of people's self-determination.

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Russia's worst standoff with the West since the end of the Cold War.

In June, Nikolay Bordyuzha, the secretary general of the Collective Security Treaty Organization (CSTO), stated that the Russian-led defense pact, of which Armenia is a member, has decided to freeze contacts with NATO because of the latter's "blackmail" tactics. A senior Armenian official clarified afterwards that

Bordyuzha's statement applies to "organization-to-organization contacts," rather than individual CSTO member states.

"Armenia has its own interests and decides its policy on various issues on its own," Tevan Poghosyan, an Armenian parliament deputy, said, commenting on Sargsyan's participation in the NATO summit. Poghosyan, who also leads the Armenian Atlantic Association, argued that NATO officials have not objected to

Armenia's membership in the Russian-dominated blocs.

Richard Giragosian, the head of the Yerevan-based Center for Regional Studies, described Sargsyan's presence as a further sign that Armenia remains committed to stepping up cooperation with NATO. He said that with its "multi-vector security strategy" Yerevan is also telling Moscow not to take the Russian-Armenian alliance for granted.

## Selective approach in NATO declarations harms Karabakh settlement process: Armenian FM



Austrian Minister for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs Sebastian Kurz has arrived in Yerevan for a two-day working visit at the invitation of Armenian Foreign Minister Edward Nalbandian.

The two Ministers met in Yerevan on September 8 to discuss issues on bilateral agenda and refer to regional and international developments. The meeting was followed by a joint press conference.

NATO seemed to give preference to the principle of territorial integrity in the final declaration adopted as a result of the Summit in Wales. Commenting on this, Minister Nalbandian said: "NATO has stated on many occasions that it's not engaged in the settlement of the Nagorno Karabakh conflict. Furthermore, it has expressed support for the approaches and efforts of the co-chairing countries.

"Although two of the co-chairing countries are members of NATO, wording used in NATO declarations, including the one in Wales, express selective approach, which does not comply with the proposals made by the Co-Chairs, their ideas and approaches, the numerous statements and decisions adopted within the framework of the OSCE over the past years," the Armenian Minister said. According to him, this certainly harms the negotiation process and affects the stability and security in the region.

"This encourages Azerbaijan to use its bellicose rhetoric to go against the international community's approach towards the settlement of the issue," he said, adding that "Selective approach to principles contradicts international law, the UN Charter and the Helsinki Final Act."

Referring to the formulations used in



the NATO declaration, Austrian Foreign Minister Sebastian Kurz noted that his country is not a member of NATO and voiced hope that ways of peaceful settlement would be found. He added that Austria was ready to support the political dialogue.

The Austrian journalists were particularly interested in whether Armenia's European integration process could be considered completely dead.

Minister Nalbandian reminded that Armenia and EU adopted a joint statement at the Vilnius Summit, in which they expressed willingness to continue the comprehensive cooperation in all possible spheres and the efforts in that direction continue.

Talks on Armenia's accession to the Eurasian Union are under way, and the results will be seen soon, Edward Nalbandian said.

"The Karabakh issue cannot be an obstacle for Armenia's accession to the Eurasian Economic Union," he added.

Referring to Ukrainian developments, Minister Nalbandian noted that "Armenia welcomes the agreement on ceasefire" and voiced hope that the agreements would be called to life. "This will pave the way for finding solutions at the negotiating table," he said.

## Genocide, Syria on the agenda of the 5th Armenia-Diaspora Forum

The 5th Armenia-Diaspora Forum will take place in Yerevan from September 18 to 21. Heads of more than 600 Diaspora organizations have already confirmed their participation, Diaspora Minister Hranush Hakobyan said at the government sitting on September 4.

The event will bring together the leaders of Armenia, Artsakh and Diaspora and the heads of all pan-Armenian structures, the Catholicos of All Armenians, the Catholicos of the Great House of Cilicia and others.

Prime Minister Hovik Abrahamyan will offer opening remarks at the conference to be held at the National Academic

Theatre after Alexander Spendiaryan.

Issues on the agenda will include the 100th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide, the security of Syrian Armenians, the preservation of language and media, improvement of Armenia-Diaspora cooperation.

The 7th Media Conference will also

take place within the framework of the forum. More than 120 editors from Diaspora and Armenia are expected to participate in the event.

The government has ruled that the foreign participants of the 5th Forum will be exempt from paying for entry visas.

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## Sargsyan, Hollande discuss future meeting of Armenian, Azerbaijani, French Presidents

Armenian President Serzh Sargsyan had a meeting with his French counterpart Francois Hollande on the sidelines of the NATO summit in Wales, president's Press Office reported.

The Presidents of the two countries hailed the high-level political dialogue between Armenia and France and the close cooperation in different spheres.

During the meeting the interlocutors referred to a number of issues of reciprocal interest, including the peaceful settlement of the Karabakh conflict. They referred to the scheduled meeting of the Presidents of Armenia, Azerbaijan and France at the initiative of the French party. Serzh Sargsyan and Francois Hollande exchanged views on the situation in the region and the existing challenges.

The Presidents of Armenia and France discussed the process



of implementation of the agreements reached on the highest level.

They also referred to the Armenian-French cooperation and mutual support within the framework of international organizations.

## French lawmakers say relations between Karabakh and Azerbaijan can be solved based on democratic principles

French Senator Alain Néri considers that the relations between Azerbaijan and Nagorno Karabakh can be settled in a democratic way on the basis of the principles of the right of peoples to self-determination. Senator Néri leads the delegation of the delegation of the France-Artsakh Friendship Circle, which is currently on a visit to Artsakh.

The friendship between France and Artsakh has been developing for years. Not yielding to Azerbaijani threats, French lawmakers, politicians and public figures maintain relations with the government and public structures and local authorities in Nagorno Karabakh.

Over the past three years three cities in Karabakh have established ties with French towns. Jack Remilier, ex-Mayor of the city of Vienne, which cooperates with Artsakh's Hadrut, declared yesterday that relations would be established between three more French and Artsakhi cities in the near future.

Jack Remilier is the most experienced among the members of the French delegation in terms of resisting the Azeri blackmail.

"Azerbaijan's Ambassador to France called me and said I would not be allowed to visit Azerbaijan any more. I said I'm very glad, as I never intended to visit the country," he said.

Senator Alain Néri, who is the deputy head of the French delegation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, has declared even in Baku that he regrets that French lawmakers are denied visas to Azerbaijan because of having visited Artsakh. He's not worried about the prospects of sharing the same destiny.

"We have come to Karabakh today as French MPs and we have not asked for anyone's permission, because freedom is a supreme value to us, and the right of lawmakers, and not only, to the freedom of movement is part of that value," he told reporters in Stepanakert.

Senator Néri was in Baku this summer, when the situation at the line of contact was tense. Speaking in Stepanakert, he noted

that any issue can be solved on the basis of democratic values, but "when weapons speak, democracy keeps silent." He suggests taking the right to self-determination as a basis for normalization of Azerbaijan-Karabakh relations.

The French lawmakers say they are in Armenia to seek new areas of cooperation, irrespective of the stance of neighboring Azerbaijan. "I'm here to contribute to the international recognition of your country. I'm here to participate in the establishment of final peace in your country, on your borders. I want your borders to be safe and recognized," Jack Remilier said.

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## Thomas de Vaal: There are no negotiations as such



American expert Thomas de Vaal, who has been studying the Nagorno Karabakh issue for years, has several proposals, which should be used in the negotiations, if the parties want to succeed.

According to the expert, what happened at the Armenian-Azerbaijani border and the line of contact in early August was a simple "show of power." He does not exclude, however, that similar actions in, let's say, five years could grow into new military conflict and considers that this is the most unwanted possible scenario of development.

Having followed the negotiation process for years, Thomas de Vaal declared on September 8: "The parties

should finally proceed to more serious work."

"What's taking place today has all external expressions of negotiations, but there are no talks as such; no strategic issues like concessions are being discussed during those meetings," the senior associate at the Carnegie Endowment, expert Thomas de Vaal told reporters in Yerevan.

According to him, judging from what Azerbaijan understands under concessions, one can assert we have not come a step closer to the final solution.

"Azerbaijan is not interested in resolving the conflict now," said Shahin Rzayev the Head of the Baku Office of the Institute for War and Peace Reporting, who joined the discussion through Internet.

"Imagine that tomorrow the Armenians of Karabakh demand protection of their rights, democratic elections. This is a headache. In reality, the settlement of the Karabakh issue is not a priority not only for the US and the European Union, but also Azerbaijan and Armenia. This is the reason the problem is unsolved," Shahin Rzayev said.

According to him, personal relations

between the Presidents of the two countries are another reason. "Aliyev and Sargsyan do not like each other," he said.

Speaking about the future plans, Thomas de Wall said: "The confidence level is so low that it is necessary to expand the framework of experts. There are 2-3 people from each side engaged in the issue." According to him, there are so many issues, which should be addressed by separate groups. These include the refugee rights, the issue of Lachin, security issues, and, most importantly, the status of Karabakh.

That's why Thomas de Vaal supports the proposal of the Swiss party to change the format of negotiations and take the meetings from the presidential level to different platforms. The expert still connects hopes with future meetings, but says those are formal unless some minor issues are unsolved.

The American expert also considers that the Armenian and Azerbaijani Presidents should have advisers on issues of Nagorno Karabakh, who will seriously engage in the process and will meet more frequently than the leaders.

## Long Jail Terms Sought For Anti-Government Activists



Prosecutors on September 8 asked a court in Yerevan to sentence 13 men, one of them aged 15, to between 4 and 8.5 years in prison for their violent clash with riot police during an anti-government demonstration last November.

The defendants were among several dozen protesters who tried to march towards President Serzh Sargsyan's offices in what their leader, Shant Harutiunyan, called a "revolution."

Police used force to stop the crowd armed with sticks and homemade stun grenades from approaching the presidential palace. Harutiunyan and a dozen other men were arrested on the spot.

Harutiunyan's 15-year-old son Shahen was charged in the case but not arrested in April. He went on trial along with the arrested activists on June 12. All but one of them pleaded not guilty to accusations of grave disruption of public order and resistance to police.

Throughout the trial Harutiunyan and his comrades claimed to be prosecuted for political reasons. They struck a defiant note after hearing harsh punishments demanded by the trial prosecutor, Gevorg Gevorgyan.

Gevorgyan demanded a 7-year prison sentence for Harutiunyan, a prominent nationalist activist, 5 years' imprisonment for his underage son. Harutiunyan

hugged and kissed Shahen as they learned about the sentences sought by the Armenian authorities.

"My father told me to stay in high spirits," the teenage activist told RFE/RL's Armenian service (Azatutyun.am) afterwards.

The prosecutor urged the court to give the longest jail term, 8.5 years, to Vahe Mkrtchian, a close friend of Harutiunyan. Another defendant, Albert Margaryan, is facing 8 years in prison.

"We are lucky that they abolished capital punishment," another accused man, Hayk Harutiunyan, said with sarcasm upon hearing a 6-year sentence sought for him. "A slave must not be at the helm of power," he added.

The defendants and their lawyers will make their final statements at the next court session scheduled for September 22.

## Edward Nalbandian: Turkey should reconcile with its own past

*The French Le Figaro newspaper has published an article by Armenian Foreign Minister Edward Nalbandian:*

In international relations there are, unfortunately, cases of missed opportunities. The statement of Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, followed by the comments of other Turkish senior officials on the eve and after the commemoration of the 99th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide are such cases. The fabricated notions of "common pain", "just memory" and the appeal to the Turks and Armenians to "follow Erdogan's lead" are misleading. Ahmet Davutoglu declares "that the main goal of Erdogan's statement is prevention of worldwide efforts of the Genocide recognition". Instead of concrete steps towards reconciliation one can find calls to complicity. I mean complicity against the international recognition of the Armenian Genocide.

It is hard to find a nation nostalgic towards its centuries-old suppression in its ancestral homeland. Any oppressed nation cannot share the nostalgia towards the Ottoman Empire. Like other empires, the Ottoman Empire was built upon and forcefully sustained through suppression of the basic rights and freedoms of many of its citizens.

Mr. Davutoglu's differentiation of the Western and Turkish perception of sufferings by Christians and Muslims is astonishing. The Armenian Genocide is not only part of Armenian or western memory and history, but also of the memory of the Muslim world. One of the earliest references to the Armenian Genocide belongs to Muslim witness Fayez El Ghossein, who in 1916 published his work entitled "The Massacres in Armenia." Sharif and Emir of Mecca Husayn ibn Ali was one of the prominent Islamic leaders, who acted against the program of physical annihilation of the Armenians and called on his subjects to defend Armenians as they would defend themselves and their children. In 1919-1921 the large-scale extermination of Armenians were referred such Turkish public figures as RefiCevat, Ahmet RefikAltinay. Many Muslim historians refer to the massacres of Armenians as genocide, while Arab historian Moussa Prince used the term "Armenocide", con-



sidering it as "the most genocidal genocide."

For the sake of "just memory" artificial political actions and calls are not needed, while those, who dare express their opinion freely are killed like Hrant Dink, or exiled like Orhan Pamuk, or taken to custody, like Ragıp Zarakolu.

Davutoglu is playing the same old tune of founding a commission of historians "in order to find the truth". One of the most competent international institutions on genocide studies, the International Association of Genocide Scholars, in answer to the same proposal, made an appeal to the Turkish government to accept what had been proven long ago. Instead of repeating decade-old re-worded or rephrased appeals we need genuine and concrete steps. Ratification of the Zurich Protocols, normalization of Armenian-Turkish relations, opening of the borders could pave the way to the difficult path of reconciliation between our peoples. The sub-commission on historical dimension, as envisaged by those Protocols, could implement a dialogue with the aim to restore mutual confidence between the two nations. It would be impossible to do by putting under question the reality of the Armenian Genocide.

Led by an apparent desire to deny the fact of the genocide, as defined by the 1948 Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, Erdogan's message yet again underlined that what happened in 1915 "was regardless of religion or ethnic origin." It seems that the 1919 Turkish Military Tribunal's Indictment, which proved by undeniable facts that the deportations and large-scale massacres of the Armenians were a state policy, and sentenced its main masterminds to death, has been forgotten in Ankara. It seems that Rafael Lemkin's development

of the concept of "genocide" has gone unnoticed in Ankara. I have to remind that 99 years ago on May 24, 1915 Russia, France and the Great Britain issued a special declaration by which they warned the perpetrators of the atrocities against the Armenian people of their personal responsibility for "these new crimes of Turkey against humanity and civilization." It is beyond any doubt that the Armenian Genocide was organized with genocidal intent. Meanwhile an attempt is made by the Turkish officials to equate the losses of the war and the systematic annihilation of Armenians, as a result of which millions of my predecessors lost their lives, homes, lands, properties. There was an attempt to strip millions of Armenians in the Ottoman Empire of their right to life, as well as their past - more than 2000 cultural and religious monuments were destroyed and the survivors were driven off the lands they had inhabited for many centuries, before Turks came to this region. In 1915 one of the chief masterminds of the Armenian Genocide, then Interior Minister Mehmed Talaat Pasha confessed to Germany's Consul General that "there is no Armenian question, because there are no more Armenians." He was wrong, but the nature, magnitude and the consequences of that horrible crime are far beyond the definition of "suffering."

In one of the interviews Erdogan rhetorically asked "if such a Genocide occurred would there have been any Armenians living in this country?" Today a large number of Jews live in Germany, but no one would dare put under question the reality of the Holocaust. Or, how can one speak of "relocation", when 1.5 million of people died or were killed? Planned marching people to the desert, starving them to death, killing most of them en route is not a relocation, it is a "death march," it is a genocide.

The denial of the genocide, the atmosphere of impunity paved the way for the repetition of new crimes against humanity. Genocide denial is considered by scholars as the last phase of the crime of genocide. Even though there are still few who continue to deny, but this does not mean that there is a "dispute" about it. On the one

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## "Armenia Expo 2014" trade and industrial exhibition opens in Yerevan



"Armenia Expo 2014" 14th annual universal regional commercial and industrial exhibition opened at "Yerevan-Expo" hall on September 5. Greeting the participants of the expo, Prime Minister Hovik Abrahamyan said: "I see the organization of such exhibitions as the best platform for establishing ties and presenting Armenia on the international economic market."

The Prime Minister emphasized the importance of organization of discussions parallel to the exhibition, which, he said, creates a unique opportunity for local producers to establish new ties and set the perspectives of cooperation. He voiced hope that the agreements reached within the framework of the event would grow into long-term and mutually beneficial business partnership.

The exhibition has brought together more than 70 local and foreign companies, which represent Georgia, Russia, Iran, Turkey, Poland and others.



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hand, there is the fact of genocide that nobody doubts in the world, the pain of which every single Armenian family anywhere in the world bears until now, and on the other hand, there is an official and imposed denial of the genocide by the Turkish government. Turkey is in dispute with itself.

Is it possible to make the descendents of genocide survivors, spread all over the world, a part of the complicity of genocide denial? Is it possible to equate perpetrators and victims of genocide by such clichés as "common pain"? It is appalling to imagine that the perpetrators of Holocaust, of genocides in Cambodia, in Rwanda, and other crimes against humanity, can be equated with the victims. Is it even possible to consider genocide survivors' descendants as "Turkish diaspora", which some Turkish politicians are trying to do today?

As Rwanda Genocide survivor Esther Mujawayo recently mentioned at the UN Human Rights Council High Level Panel Discussion in Geneva dedicated to the

Genocide Prevention Convention, "Today is the fourth generation of Armenians who are still waiting". Not only Armenians, the whole international community for almost 100 years has been waiting for Turkey to recognize the Armenian Genocide. The genuineness of the desire for reconciliation must be proven through recognition and condemnation of the Armenian Genocide. The Turkish government must not refrain from genuine reconciliation. Thousands of Turkish citizens have opted for that path already.

Davutoglu mentions Armenian composer Komitas as an example of Armenians' creative activities in the Ottoman Empire. "Just memory" should have shed some light on the life of Komitas, who was a witness of the Genocide. He had seen all the sufferings, the horror that befell the Armenians and said that "nobody knows all the wounds of our tragedy... this distress will drive us mad!" And from 1916 onwards, for 20 years he spent his life in a psychiatric hospital.

On April 24, 2003 when we were

unveiling the Komitas statue in Paris, I expressed hope that this memorial to the Armenian Genocide victims could symbolize the sufferings and memory of the victims of all genocides perpetrated in the 20th century, that it would become a mourning site for all those who consider tolerance and respect to human life and dignity as a continuous process, that there would bow not only the descendents of those who suffered physically and spiritually, but also the descendents of those who caused those sufferings. I believe that the route to reconciliation is not a path of denial, but that of conscious memory, because true reconciliation does not mean forgetting the past or feeding younger generations with the tales of denial. Turkey should reconcile with its own past to be able to build its future.

The President of Armenia has invited the Turkish President to visit Armenia on April 24, 2015, on the occasion of the commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide. We hope it will not be a missed opportunity and Turkey's President will be in Yerevan on that day.



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- ♦2035. **Tumanyan str.**, Ground floor of the building, 220sq.m., 1st line, facade-55m., capitally repaired, h-5m., cellar. Price: Negotiable
- ♦2013. **Tumanyan str.**, Ground floor of the building, 265sq.m., 1st line, capitally repaired, heating system, cellar. Price: 1.300.000\$ negotiable
- ♦2012. **Mashtots Ave.**, 5/1, 2, 140sq.m., window glasses, capitally repaired, AC. Price: 1.100.000\$ negotiable
- ♦2155. **Mashtots ave.**, 3storied building, 540sq.m., each floor-180sq.m, window glasses, parking. Price: 3.600.000 USD
- ♦2020. **Hr. Kochar str.**, Land-300sq.m, 1st line, 4storied building, 1080sq.m., each floor-270sq.m, h-3.6m, without divisions, parkings, 3 access. Price: 1.400.000 USD negotiable
- ♦1986. **Cascade**, Land 1000sq.m. 3storied building 1200sq.m., unfinished, parking. Price: 1.000.000 USD.
- ♦2167. **Sayat Nova str.**, newly built, 38sq. m, capitally repaired. Price: 200.000 USD
- ♦2175. **Tumanyan str.**, Ground and 1st floor of the building, 600sq.m, ground floor 300sq.m, 1st floor-220sq.m, basement-80sq.m, - 1st line, zero level, 2 entrances, facade-15m, 4 window glasses, capitally repaired, heating system, AC. Price: 3500 USD per sq.m,
- ♦2172. **Isahakyan str.**, 92sq.m, 1st line, 7 degrees above zero level, facade-9m, 2 window glasses, h-3.20m, 2 halls, cabinet, bathroom, capitally repaired, heating system. Price: 450.000 USD

## LANDS

- ♦2122. **Davitashen**, 1800 sq.m., water, gas, electricity, possible to sell separately 600 sq.m., and 1200 sq.m. Price: 150 USD per sq.m.
- ♦2121. **Demirchyan str.**, 1338 sq.m., building permits. Price: 2million USD.
- ♦2013. **Cascade**. 1000 sq.m. building permits, first line, gas, water and electricity possibilities. Price 460.000USD
- ♦1402. **Hr. Kochar Str.**, 1100 sq. m., facade -25 m. Price negotiable.
- ♦2090. **Lori region**, close to Stepanavan, Gyargyar village, 6 hectares, forest 2 hectare has building permits, 3 water source, electricity. Price: 100.000USD.
- ♦2406. **Avan**, Mher Mkrtchyan block, 1000 sq.m., electricity, gas, water, the district is inhabited. Price: 30USD per sq.m
- ♦2310. **Monument, Babayan str.**, 1000 sq. m, facade-25m, privatized, Price: 350 USD negotiable
- ♦2107. **Monument**, 2400sq.m, building permits, building project. Price: 400 USD per sq.m.
- ♦2413. **Ashtarak roadway**, 1000sq.m, building permits, building project. Price: Negotiable
- ♦2414. **Demirchyan str.** land-750sq.m., building permits. Price: 750.000 USD.

## PRIVATE HOUSES

- ♦3348. **Blur, Barbyus str.** Land - 800 sq.m, 3 storied bld.-700 sq.m, 4 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, capitally repaired, climate control. Price: 1.2 million USD
- ♦3146. **Aygestan**, Land-500 sq.m., 5 storied bld-765 sq.m., each floor-180 sq.m, 4 bedrooms, 5 bathrooms, study, capitally repaired, heating system, elevator. Price: 2.300.000 USD.
- ♦3583. **Nork-Marash**, Land-1100sq.m, 2 storied bld-520sq.m, 6 bedrooms, 5 bathrooms, capitally repaired, heating system, AC, swimming pool, garden. Price: 1.350.000 USD.
- ♦3432. **Aygedzor**, Land - 1021 sq m, 3 storied bld.-

501 sq.m., 5 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, study, capitally repaired, central heating, AC, boiler room garden, swimming pool, sauna, garage, security system. Price: 1.000.000 USD

- ♦3576. **Avan**, Tsarav Akhbyur /near Botanical garden/, Land-560sq.m., 4 storied building-560sq.m., 4 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, a kitchen, office, capitally repaired, heating system, swimming pool, garden, 2 car parking. Price: 850.000 USD
- ♦3606. **Avan**, Tsarav Akhbyur/near Botanical garden/, Land-1000sq.m., 3 storied building-750sq.m., 6 bedrooms, 5 bathrooms, 2 kitchens, capitally repaired, heating system swimming pool, garden, sauna, 2 car parking. Price-1.500.000 USD
- ♦3574. **Blur**, Land-779sq.m., 2 storied building-720sq.m., 4 bedrooms, 6 bathrooms, study, capitally repaired, heating system, sauna swimming pool, garden. Price: 2.000.000 USD
- ♦3590. **Blur, Barbyus str.**, Land-450 sq.m., 4 storied building-470sq.m., 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, capitally repaired, heating system, AC, garden. Price: 680.000 USD



- ♦3651. **Blur, Barbyus str.**, Land-900sq.m., 5 storied building-800sq.m., 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, capitally repaired, heating system, AC, garden. Price: 1.700.000 USD.
- ♦3401. **Antarayin str.**, Newly built, land-700sq.m, 3 storied bld-690sq.m, 5 bedrooms, capitally repaired. Price: 1.300.000 USD

## NEWLY BUILT RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

- ♦74. **Cascade**, Verin Antarayin. 136-315 sq m., walls plastered, electricity, water, gas, euro windows, no exploitation fees. Price: 1200 USD per sq.m, parking -15.000 USD.
- ♦107. **Monument**, Verin Antarayin. inhabited, 8 floors, gas, windows, street view -1000 USD per sq.m., city looking -1500 USD per sq.m., parking - 4 million USD preliminary.
- ♦87. **Sayat-Nova str.**, 21 floors, 3 bedrooms -188 sq.m., 199 sq.m., Price 1900 USD per sq.m., 2 bedrooms have a beautiful sight - 117 sq.m., 120 sq.m., 124 sq.m., Price: 1700 USD per sq.m., climate control, gas.
- ♦93. **Kievyan str.**, Given to the operation in October 2011, 16 floors, walls plastered, windows, exterior doors, h -3, 15 m, gas, parking. Price: 1500-1600USD per sq.m, parking-12 000 USD. Possible with mortgage, for 13 years term.
- ♦94. **Masiv**. 3 floors, 8 flats, each flat has 3 bedrooms, 210 sq.m., parking. Price: negotiable.
- ♦130. **Antarayin str.**, 34 flats, 110-275 sq.m., 4 penthouses-200-275sq.m, available services-car wash, cleaning service, garbage removal service, parking. Price: Negotiable
- ♦131. **Busand str.**, commercial, office and residential areas, penthouse, available services-car wash, cleaning service, garbage removal service, parking. Price: Negotiable





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### 1 ROOM

- ♦2037. **Baghramyan str.**, 5/2, 60sqm, 1 bedroom, euro repaired, gas, heating system, AC, modern furnished, equipped. Price: negotiable
- ♦2189. **Vardanants str.**, Newly built, 24/12, 90 sqm, 1 bedroom, capially repaired, furnished, equipped. Price: 1000 USD.
- ♦2099. **Sayat-Nova Ave.**, 12/6, 1 bedroom, capially repaired, gas, heating system, AC, furnished, equipped. Price: 600 USD.
- ♦1972. **Northern ave.**, 8/4, 80sq.m., 1 bedroom, 2 bathrooms, open kitchen, capially repaired, climate control. Price: 1200 USD
- ♦2171. **Tumanyan str.**, Newly built, 5th floor, 94 sq.m., 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom, capially repaired, central heating, furnished, equipped. Price: 1000 USD
- ♦2367. **Northern ave.**, Newly built, 9th floor, 98 sq.m., capially repaired, heating system, furnished equipped. Price: Negotiable.

### 2 ROOMS

- ♦942. **Teryan str.** 4/3, 130 sq.m., 2 bedrooms, capially repaired, heating system, furnished, equipped. Price: 1500 USD.
- ♦1950. **Buzand/Mashtots area.** Newly built, 8th floor, 163 sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, climate control, furnished, open balcony. Price: 2500 USD.
- ♦1681. **Northern Ave.**, Newly built, 6/2, 130 sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, AC, parking. Price: 2000 USD.
- ♦1535. **Busand str.**, Newly built, 7/4, 82sq.m., 2 bedrooms, capially repaired, heating system, AC, parking, furnished, equipped. Price: Negotiable.
- ♦2089. **Northern ave.**, Newly built, 8/6, 120sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, climate control, furnished, equipped. Price: 2500 USD
- ♦1738. **Amiryan str.**, 8/8, 159sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, parking. Price: Negotiable
- ♦1951. **Busand str.**, Newly built, 13th floor, 122sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, climate control. Price: 2500 USD
- ♦1406. **Sayat Nova ave.**, 7/3, 110sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, furnished, equipped. Price: Negotiable
- ♦2187. **Northern ave.**, Newly built, 9/5, 120 sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, capially repaired, furnished, equipped. Price: 2.200 USD
- ♦2109. **Northern ave.**, Newly built, 10/4, 137sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, central heating, furnished, equipped, parking. Price: 2000 USD.
- ♦2243. **Buzand str.**, Newly built, 17/4, 125sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, AC, furnished, equipped. Price: 2000 USD
- ♦ **Amiryan str.**, Newly built, 14/5, 120sqm, 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, AC, partly furnished. Price 2000 USD
- ♦2267. **North Avenue** Newly built, 7th floor, 170sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, furnished equipped. Price: 2500 USD

### 3 ROOMS AND MORE

- ♦2257. **Northern Ave.**, Newly built, 17/16, 160 sq.m., 3 bedrooms, capially repaired, heating system, AC, parking. Price: Negotiable
- ♦2021. **Teryan Str.**, Newly built, 9/8,9, 245 sq.m., 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, furnished. Preliminary price: 3500 USD.
- ♦2005. **Northern Ave.**, Newly built, 8/8, 130 sq.m,

- 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, furnished, parking. Price: 2200 USD.
- ♦1723. **Northern Ave.**, Newly built, 8/4., 170 sq.m 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, open kitchen, capially repaired, furnished, equipped. Price: 2000 USD.
- ♦1981. **Vardanants Str.**, Newly built, 14/14, 140 sq m, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, AC, 3 open balconies, furnished, equipped, parking. Price: 2000 USD.



- ♦1793. **Teryan str.**, Newly built, 8th floor, 260 sq.m., 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, study, capially repaired, climat control, parking, unfurnished (possible to furnish), Price: 3500 USD.
- ♦1720. **Amiryan str.**, Newly built, 16/10, 179 sq.m, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, central heating, AC, cellar- 25sq.m, with or without furniture, parking, Price 3000 USD negotiable
- ♦2195. **Northern ave.**, Newly built, 3rd floor, 300sq.m, 4 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, 2 kitchens, capially repaired, climate control, AC, parking. Price: 5000 USD
- ♦2261. **Hin Yerevantsi**, /North Avenue/, Newly built, 10/3, 124sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, AC, furnished, equipped, parking. Price: 1700 USD
- ♦2084. **Tumanyan str.**, 4th floor, 200sq.m, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, climate control, parking. Price: 5000 USD
- ♦2252. **Northern ave**, 7th floor, 350 sq.m., 3 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, study, open balconies, capially repaired, climate control, parking. Price Negotiable.

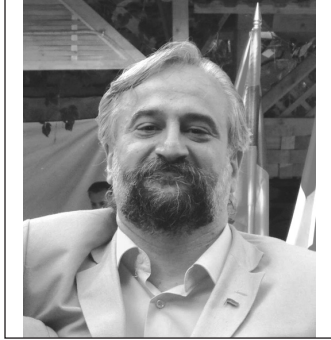
### PRIVATE HOUSES

- ♦1323. **Monument, Babayan str**, Land-400sq.m, 3storied bld-300sqm, 4bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, capially repaired. Price: Negotiable
- ♦1248. **Aygedzor**, Land - 1021 sq m ,3 storied bld. - 501 sq.m., 5 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, study, capially repaired, central heating, AC, sauna, boiler room garden, swimming pool, garage, alarming system, security system. Price: 8000 USD.
- ♦999. **Aygedzor**, Land -1000 sqm, basement + 2 floors- 310 sqm, capially repaired, 4 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, newly furnished, equipped, sauna, swimming-pool. Starting Price: 5000 USD.
- ♦1094. **Noy block**, Land-450sqm, 2 storied building - 220sq.m, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, furnished, equipped, swimming pool, garden. Price: 2000USD.
- ♦1195. **Nork, Armenakyan str.**, Land - 2000 sq.m, 4 storied bld.-520 sq.m., 4 bedrooms, 4bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, sauna, gym, furnished, swimming-pool, garden. Price: 4.000 USD negotiable.
- ♦1142. **Djrvej**, Bagrevand community. Land-1000 sq.m., 3 storied bld.-700 sq.m., 5 bedrooms, 5 bathrooms, pantry, playing room, capially repaired, no furniture/ can be furnished, if neces-

- sary /garage for 2 cars. Price: 4 000 USD.
- ♦1293. **Nork-Marash**, Land-1100sq.m, 2 storied bld-520 sq.m, 6 bedrooms, 5 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, AC, swimming pool, garden. Price: 7.000 USD
- ♦327. **Nork-Marash**, Land-500sq.m., 4 storied building-600 sq.m., 4 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, furnished, equipped, swimming pool, garden, sauna, 2 car parking. Price-4000 USD
- ♦1306. **Tsarav Akhbyur** /near Botanical garden/, Land-1000sq.m., 3 storied building-750sq.m., 6 bedrooms, 5 bathrooms, 2 kitchens, capially repaired, heating system swimming pool, garden, sauna, 2 car parking, with or without furniture. Price: 6000-8000 USD negotiable
- ♦1288. **Tsarav Akhbyur** /near Botanical garden/, Land-560sq.m., 4 storied building-560 sq.m., 4 bedrooms, 4bathrooms, a kitchen, office, capially repaired, heating system, furnished, equipped, swimming pool, garden, 2 car parking. Price: 5000 USD
- ♦1197. **Blur**, Land-779sq.m., 2 storied building-720sq.m., 4 bedrooms, 6 bathrooms, study, capially repaired, heating system, sauna swimming pool, garden. Price: 8000 USD
- ♦1312. **Blur, Barbyus str.**, Land-450sq.m., 4 storied building-470sq.m., 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, AC, garden. Price: Negotiable
- ♦1317. **Blur, Barbyus str.**, Land-900sq.m., 5 storied building-800sq.m., 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, AC, garden. Price: Negotiable.
- ♦1323. **Monument, Babayan str**, Land - 400 sq.m, 3 storied bld-300sq.m, each floor-100sq.m, 4 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, capially repaired, heating system, AC, furnished, equipped. Price: Negotiable

### PREMISES

- ♦1693. **Malatia-Sebastia** 4 storied building, 1200sq.m, each floor-300sq.m, 2 separate entrances, climate control, 2 elevators, basement, parking. Price: 15USD per sq.m.
- ♦1526. **Byuzand str.**, 5/semi-basement, 170 sqm., 4-5 degrees below zero level, window glasses, cellar - 50 sq.m., 6 rooms, the largest is 30 sq.m., 2 entrances, 2 lavatories. Price 2000 USD per month, negotiable.
- ♦1408. **Zarobyan str.**, /parallel to Baghramyan str./, 2 storied building, 600 sqm. ground floor- hall and kitchen, 1st floor 5 rooms, bathroom, open balcony, capially repaired, gas, heating system, parking. Price: Negotiable.
- ♦1462. **Teryan str.**, 3 storied building, 800 sq.m., capially repaired, AC, parking. Price: 10.000 USD.
- ♦1945. **Mashtots Ave.**, 5/1,2, 140sq.m., window glasses, capially repaired, AC. Price: 8000 USD
- ♦1943. **Tumanyan str.**, Ground floor of the building, 265sq.m., 1st line, capially repaired, heating system, cellar. Price: 7000 USD
- ♦1868. **Tumanyan str.**, Ground floor of the building, 220sq.m., 1st line, facade-55m., capially repaired, h-5m., cellar. Price: 15.000 USD.
- ♦2087. **Northern ave.**, Ground floor of the building, 100sq.m., 1st line, zero level, capially repaired, window glasses. Price: Negotiable.
- ♦2033. **Abovyan str.**, 388sq.m, Ground floor of the building, 3 degrees above zero level, window glasses, h-3m., basement-235sq.m., capially repaired, heating system, AC. Price: 15.000 USD
- ♦2031. **Vardanants str.**, 500sq.m, ground floor of the building, 2 entrances, facade-20m, window glasses, without divisions, ,basement-250sq.m, Price: 8000 USD
- ♦2027. **Sayat Nova str.**, 95sq.m, ground floor of the building, 2 entrances, 7 degrees above zero level, 4 window glasses, capially repaired. Price: 4.000 USD



## Foreign Minister's Excellent Commentary In Le Figaro, with Some Shortcomings



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Even though it is not an easy task to unify Armenians around a common set of restitutive demands from Turkey, it is critical to do so on the eve of the Centennial of the Armenian Genocide.

It is imperative that Armenians speak with one voice, telling the world what exactly they want from Turkey, because divergent demands would send a confusing message. Some Armenians would be satisfied with a simple acknowledgment of the Genocide and apology from the Turkish government. Others are after financial restitution, open borders, Black Sea access, and the return of Mount Ararat. Maximalists, including this author, demand everything that Armenians lost during the Genocide: restitution for the murders of 1.5 million Armenians, and recovery of their properties, bank accounts, churches, schools, cemeteries, and territories of Western Armenia. In previous columns, I have advocated the use of the general term -- seeking justice -- to summarize all Armenian demands from Turkey.

Being a 'maximalist' implies not only reclaiming everything Armenians lost during the Genocide, but also employing an optimum negotiating strategy. Why ask for the minimum and end up with even less? Wouldn't it be wiser to begin with maximal demands and strike the best possible bargain?

These were some of my thoughts as I read the well-written commentary of Armenian Foreign Minister Edward Nalbandian, published in Le Figaro last week: "Turkey should reconcile with its own past." He correctly labels as 'fabricated' and 'misleading' the recent use by Pres. Erdogan and other Turkish officials of the terms 'common pain' and 'just memory' in reference to the Armenian Genocide. Nalbandian also rejects the Turkish proposal for a "commission of historians in order to find the truth" about the Armenian Genocide. Unfortunately, this sinister proposal was included in the Armenian-Turkish Protocols of 2009 which the Foreign Minister continues to support in his article. Furthermore, rather than simply castigating Turkey for denying the Armenian Genocide and seeking 'reconciliation' through 'recognition and condemnation of the Genocide,' the Foreign Minister should have asked for 'justice' that encompasses all Armenian demands.

At the end of his in depth commentary, Nalbandian reminds Le Figaro readers that Pres. Sargsyan had invited Pres. Erdogan "to visit Armenia on April 24, 2015, on the occasion of the commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide. We hope it will not be a missed opportunity and Turkey's President will be in Yerevan on that day."

Clearly, Armenia is trying to put the Turkish President in a difficult corner: he will either reject the invitation, making him look bad in the eyes of the world, or come to Armenia on April 24, 2015, and acknowledge the Armenian Genocide.

To pursue this clever scheme, the Foreign Minister of Armenia took the unusual step of attending Pres. Erdogan's August 28 inauguration to hand over Pres. Sargsyan's formal invitation. Nalbandian's Ankara visit came right after Erdogan insulted Armenians by complaining on Turkish television that some people called him Georgian, and "even worse, they called me an Armenian."

I seriously doubt that Erdogan would show up in Yerevan on the Armenian Genocide Centennial. If he does not, Armenian officials would be elated that their ploy worked, making Erdogan look like an obstructionist. But, what if the Turkish President does come to Armenia on April 24, 2015? Erdogan may say and do a lot of outlandish things, but he is a wily politician who can easily evade the Armenian trap and turn the tables on his hosts. He could go to the Genocide Memorial Monument in Yerevan and announce that he has come to 'share the pain' of all victims of World War I, including Turks and Armenians. That would be a great public relations coup for Erdogan!

Just last week, Pres. Erdogan took a tough stand against Armenia during his visit to Azerbaijan. He told Pres. Aliyev (for the thousandth time) that Turkey will not open its borders with Armenia until the latter withdraws from Karabagh (Artsakh). The newly-appointed Prime Minister Ahmet Davutoglu and Foreign Minister Mevlut Cavusoglu made similar harsh anti-Armenian remarks. In return, Pres. Aliyev pledged to support Turkey in 'exposing the fictional Armenian genocide.'

It is clear that Turkey and Azerbaijan are escalating their rhetoric and planning efforts against Armenia rather than looking for reconciliation. Under these circumstances, Armenia should take an equally tough stand against the two hostile Turkic states, starting with the immediate withdrawal of Armenia's signature from the Armenian-Turkish Protocols.

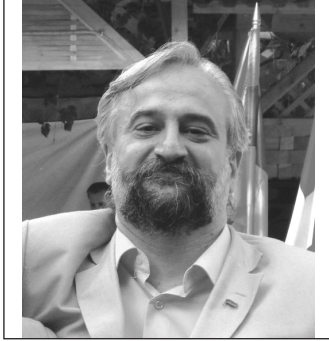


## Julian Assange: Discussions about Armenian Genocide halted through censorship in Turkey

"Censorship in Turkey has advanced. Many were happy to see that with respect to Kurdish and Armenian Genocide issues. Now it has spread onto everything else," said Julian Assange, the founder of WikiLeaks, during an online Q&A session with the participants of the Internet Governance Forum in Istanbul, Turkey. Samvel Martirosyan – information security expert who was invited to participate in the event – said to Life.Panorama.am that Edward Snowden was also scheduled to appear online in the forum, however in the last minute he was replaced by Assange due to technical issues.

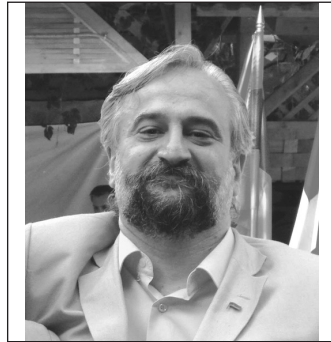
"In general, Assange criticized internet governance methods. Then he took upon Turkey and as an example and basis of internet censorship he mentioned Kurdish and Armenian Genocide issues, open discussions on both of which are avoided (in Turkey). He underlined once again that due to the Armenian Genocide issue Turkey is trying to keep the Ottoman archives closed," the expert told Life. Panorama.am.

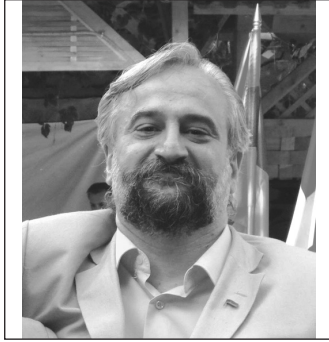
According to Martirosyan, in another event entitled "Human rights protection on the Internet," an internet activist from Turkey said there was no freedom in his country, alluding to the 45,000 websites and YouTube video hosting ban. In response, a representative of the Turkish authorities tried to explain to the audience that was being done in protection of children rights in the Internet. "Everyone in the audience started laughing loudly at this explanation of the Turkish official. Turkey is one of very few countries where freedom of speech is in dire situation. Participants from many different countries around the globe had been very concerned of this issue," added Martirosyan.

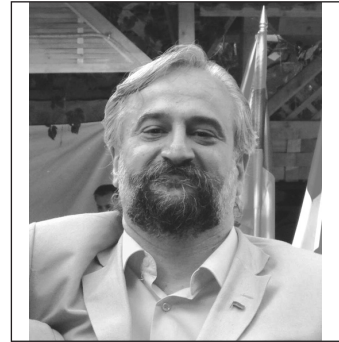


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# Azerbaijan Calls California Resolution On Artsakh a Mere Piece of Paper







## Pope Francis to visit Armenia, Turkey

Pope Francis has confirmed during a private audience with the Turkish Ambassador to the Holy See, Kenan Gürsoy, that he hopes to travel to Turkey in the near future, Daily Sabah reports.

The 77-year-old pontiff's comments came on Monday as Gürsoy visited him to bid farewell, as the ambassador is due to leave Rome following the end of his assignment.

Francis is expected to visit the Turkish capital of Ankara on November 29 and then Istanbul, in order to celebrate the feast of Saint Andrew the following day, according to media reports.

He is expected to use the visit to call for an end to the killing of Middle Eastern Christians in Iraq and Syria.

Diplomatic sources said the pope told the Turkish envoy he was looking forward to visiting Turkey, after which he is also expected to visit Armenia.

Francis was originally invited to Turkey earlier this summer by Bartholomew, the Orthodox Patriarch, who had recently travelled to the Vatican from Turkey to take part in prayers for peace between the Argentinian pope and Israeli and Palestinian



leaders, according to Rome's La Repubblica newspaper and diplomatic sources.

The visit is expected to be announced officially once newly-installed Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan issues a formal invitation to the Roman Catholic leader to come to Turkey.

## Tigranakert one of the most powerful factors revealing the Armenian identity



The archaeological excavations in Artsakh's Tigranakert have revealed a unique Christian mausoleum, residential economic complexes have been opened as a result of diggings, the northern wall of the fortress built by King Tigran has also been found.

This year the findings have taken the expedition to Amaras, where the eastern part of Grigorius' Mausoleum has been found, which can help make new revelations about the early Christian period in Armenia.

According to the head of Tigranakert expedition Hamlet Petrosyan, there have been over 100 publications about Tigranakert over the past ten years of excavations, but there is no academic monograph presenting the phenomenon of monument.

He says the scientific and political circles in Armenia are indifferent towards the issue. Azerbaijan, in turn, does not stop holding most various actions and publishing articles to describe the research works in Tigranakert as political excavations.

"Tigranakert is one of the most powerful factors revealing the identity of Armenians of Artsakh and worldwide," Hamlet Petrosyan told reporters.

## EU Details More Aid To Armenia

The European Union has announced plans to provide Armenia with up to 170 million euros (\$220 million) in fresh assistance over the next three years.

The EU's executive body, the European Commission, said late on Monday that the "indicative allocation" will be part of much broader aid to countries that are part of its European Neighborhood Policy. They include not only ex-Soviet republics but also Arab states like Algeria, Morocco, Lebanon and Jordan.

According to a statement released by the commission, just over one-third of the 2014-2017 aid package for Armenia is to be channeled into "private sector development." The rest of the sum will mostly be spent on reforms of the judiciary and public administration promised by the Armenian authorities. The statement gave no further details.

In a progress report on six ex-Soviet states released in March, the European Commission noted widespread popular distrust in Armenian



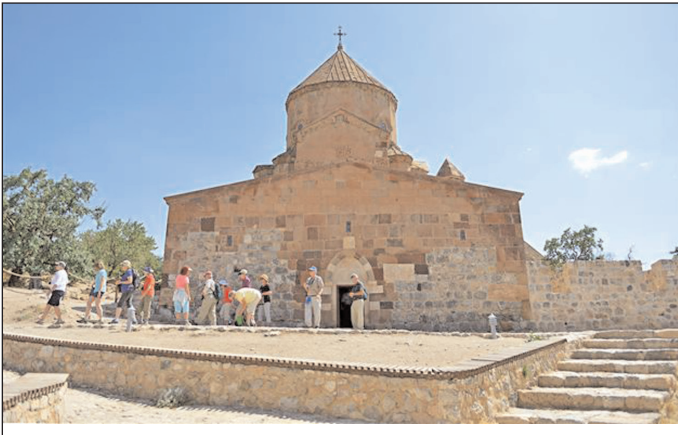
courts and a "lack of convincing results in the fight against corruption" declared by the authorities in Yerevan.

Three of those republics -- Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine -- subsequently signed far-reaching Association Agreements with the EU. Armenia was on track to sign a similar agreement until President Serzh Sargsyan unexpectedly decided in September 2013 to join Russia's Customs Union with Belarus and Kazakhstan.

The EU responded by abandoning the accord on the grounds that its dominant free-trade provisions are "not compatible" with membership in the union. It also cancelled plans to organize an international conference of Armenia's international donors that was widely expected to approve much more large-scale assistance to Yerevan.



## Armenian church on Akhtamar Island set to host fifth service



Christians from Turkey and around the world have started to travel to Akhtamar Island on Lake Van for the fifth annual Divine Liturgy on the island's famous 10th century church, the Hurriyet Daily News reports.

The church was reopened to occasional prayers in 2010 after a hiatus of nearly 100 years.

Turkish authorities restored the church between 2005 and 2007 before opening it as a museum. The Divine Liturgy was celebrated there for the first time in 95 years in 2010.

The Divine Liturgy will be held on Sept. 7 at the historic Surp Khach (Holy Cross) Church with the acting head of the Armenian Patriarchate in Turkey, Aram Atesyan. This year, Fener Greek Patriarch Bartholomew and the spiritual leader of Turkey's Syriac community, Yusuf Cetin, will also be participating in the service for the first time.

Worshippers are expected to pray for peace in the Middle East and the world during the service.

Today, the Armenian community in Turkey, which numbers around 70,000, is almost entirely concentrated in Istanbul.

Gevas Mayor Sinan Hakan said his local administration would offer a "Peace Lunch" in the center of the district after the service this year.

"Gevas is a significant center for Christianity and Islam. As locals of Gevas, we want our guests to feel at home while they are here as part of the ceremony. They are not strangers to us. There was a tradition of living together with them for thousands of years. We want to revitalize that here on the day," said Hakan.

## Charles Aznavour to perform in Los Angeles on September 13

One of the greatest singer-songwriters of all time, legendary French Armenian singer Charles Aznavour, who celebrated his 90th birthday in May, will appear for one night only at The Greek Theatre, Los Angeles on Saturday, September 13, according to the Theatre's official website.

With a career spanning over 70 years, garnering over 100 million records sold, 1200 songs, 80 movies, 294 albums and thousands of concerts around the world, Charles Aznavour has recorded and performed in 7 languages, and is the longest standing "A list" star, still filling major venues all over the world including the O2 Arena in Berlin Festhalle in Frankfurt, and a sold out show at the Royal Albert Hall in London.

Besides numerous prizes and awards in 1986, he was inducted into the American Songwriters hall of Fame; and in 1998 Charles was named "Entertainer of the Century" by CNN/Time Online, edging out Elvis Presley and Bob Dylan. Since 2009, he has been the Armenian Ambassador to Switzerland, and is a permanent delegate to the United Nations in Geneva.

In the English speaking world, he has enjoyed major success with "SHE", which went to number one in the UK, and also featured in the blockbuster film "Notting Hill", and he has had further hits with "The Old Fashioned Way" and "Yesterday When I Was Young".

Charles Aznavour's songs have been recorded by many artists including Elton John, Edith Piaf, Celine Dion, Fred Astaire, Sting, Ray Charles, Bing Crosby, Tom Jones, Shirley Bassey, Laura Pausini, Placido Domingo,

Sammy Davis Jr, Julio Iglesias, Nina Simone, Liza Minelli, Petula Clark, Andrea Bocelli, Josh Groban, Paul Anka, Serge Gainsbourg, Engelbert Humperdinck, Elvis Costello, Bryan Ferry, Andy Williams, Dusty Springfield, Marc Almond to name just a few.

Besides being a singer, songwriter and actor, a public activist and a diplomat, Charles founded the charity "Aznavour for Armenia" and has raised many millions of dollars for this cause.



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## Zodiac Weekly Forecast

### Aries (Mar. 20--Apr. 19) :

As the week begins, you are concluding items of business related to finances, investments, or shared resources. On the 16th you will notice a shift into a new direction. It will likely be related to contacting people at a distance, preparing to travel, seeking legal or other professional advice, or focused on education.

### Taurus (Apr. 20--May 19):

You are under the veil of illusion concerning romantic relationships. You may be perceiving yourself as selfless or the Other as "too good to be true". Add a touch of realism here, and you will be more accurate. You may be emerging from a cocoon in which you and the "other" have been mesmerized by the narcotic of love.

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

You are caught between what you should do and what you want to do. The routine is safe, but also boring. Your mind may play tricks on you and you could be distracted easily. This is not a good time to do work that requires discipline with details. You are feeling independent, so you may want more alone time than is the norm.

### Cancer (June 21--Jul y 21) :

Give special attention to unusual messages or to new people who enter your life during this time. A "teacher" crosses your path in the form of a person, a book, or the right message that will steer you in the next favorable direction. You may be restless and feel the need to move your body now. Some anxiety is possible.

### Leo (July 22 --Aug. 21):

You have a steady mind and hands now. It is a good time to work on a project that requires concentration and careful work. You will find satisfaction this week with the routine activities of life. You may be spending time with older people, whether friends or relatives. Or you may be working on repairs around your home.

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

It may seem that every time you attempt to concentrate on any sort of detail, someone or something begins to interfere. Bitsy parts will not cooperate or can't be found. It may take 2 to 3 trips to the hardware store or the grocery market to collect what you need to complete a task. Hang in there!

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

Beware the temptation to feel sorry for yourself this week. If you want attention, then ask for it, rather than sulking because someone cannot read your mind. Your imagination is vivid and may be dark right now. Recognize that the scenario playing in your head is likely not the whole truth.

### Scorpio (Oct. 23--Nov. 21) :

You are entering a new phase of attention which will continue through Oct. 25th. Issues of money and resources, or matters of personal values will be prominent as motivators. Be aware of the temptation to identify with that which you deem important, whether it is a material object or an idea. Do not confuse your individual identity with these things of the world.

### Sagittarius (Nov. 22 --Dec. 20):

Mars, the warrior, enters your sign this week and will be traveling with you for seven weeks. This energy is best used to handle physically heavy projects or take initiatives that you might not otherwise tackle. You must take charge of the energy and focus it productively so it won't run you ragged.

### Capricorn ( Dec 21 -- Jan 19) :

This week will prove to be a fine improvement over last week's rocky path. Activities that involve higher education, publishing, travel and/or legal interests are favored. People at a distance will be helpful. This may be via conference calling or the internet. Relationships in general are smoother.

### Aquarius (Jan. 20--Feb. 17) :

This is a time in which you can make steady progress on almost any endeavor. Cohorts are available to offer assistance in your effort. You may be given the budget to accomplish the goal. Banks or lenders evaluate in your favor.

### Pisces (Feb. 18--Mar. 19) :

Beware of any martyr like thoughts in relation to your partner(s). You could be seeing yourself as all-giving, all-loving. No one is really like that. Give what you are willing to give because you care for the Other. Don't do it so that someone will see your actions and think you are wonderful. Then whatever the outcome, you won't resent it.

## ARMENIAN POETRY

### Vahan Teryan (1885 - 1920)

#### DRESSED IN WHITE

You arrived in my life dressed in white  
while winter had begun to excavate  
my tomb out of ice, out of snow, out  
of night.  
You smiled through the dark, shedding light.  
There's no sound in the house or  
street tonight.  
All my doors are closed and sealed  
tight.  
You alone can save me from despair  
from the days of regret and of  
blight.  
My god's name has become Torment  
and my prayer a poison-bladed  
knife.  
My soul in its weariness grows cold,  
wounded by deaths not by life.  
You came dressed in white. Come  
again  
with the sublime light you can bring.  
Soothe my sleepless night with your  
hands  
and the clear sweet songs that you  
sing.

#### GHOSTS

I am here. You are here, you and I  
in the magical evening mist.  
We're alone, you with me. I too am  
you.  
And perhaps neither of us exists.  
Fearful days, tearful days, all are  
past.  
There are no hours for the clocks to  
toll.  
We are spirits, ghosts that last  
when we stay together and alone.  
All complaints are forgotten and  
past  
left behind with pain and thirst.  
A different light is refracted here,  
sweeter, with no dark to interfere.  
I am here. You are here. You and I  
in the magic of this evening mist.  
We are alone. I too am you  
and neither of us perhaps exists.

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