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## Armenian-Cypriot high-level talks

Armenia fully supports efforts to solve the Cyprus problem on the basis of United Nations' resolutions, President Serzh Sargsyan said on March 15.

The Armenian president headed a delegation on an official visit to Cyprus.

Following a tete-a-tete meeting with his Cypriot counterpart Nicos Anastasiades, three agreements between the two countries were signed.

The first was an intergovernmental agreement for the mutual recognition of diplomas of study, while the other two were cooperation programmes for Education and Sciences, as well as Culture, for the period 2016-2020.

The agreements were signed by Cypriot Education minister Costas Kadis, and Armenian Education minister Levon Mkrtchyan and Culture minister Hasmik Poghosyan.

Speaking after the signing, both Anastasiades and Sargsyan praised the level of bilateral relations between the two countries.

The Armenian president welcomed the support Cyprus has shown his country, evident in the visits by both Anastasiades and House Speaker Yiannakis Omirou, as well as the voting of a resolution by Cypriot parliament for the criminalisation of denying the Armenian genocide.

Sargsyan also thanked the people of Cyprus for reaffirming their support and solidarity to the Armenian people on the centennial anniversary of the Armenian genocide last year.

He added that he appreciates Cyprus' position on the issue of Nagorno-Karabakh, and noted that his country supports a solution of the Cyprus problem on the basis of UN resolutions.

"I hope there won't be any obtrusive interfering, and that President Anastasiades' systematic efforts will yield results soon," Sargsyan said.

Anastasiades said the two men informed each other on the Cyprus problem and the Nagorno-Karabakh dispute.

"What we are after is a solution that is imbued by the prin-



ciples of the European Union, fully protecting the human rights of all its residents, Greek Cypriot or Turkish Cypriot," Anastasiades said.

"What is being sought is not a solution that leaves winners and losers, but one that creates prospects for the future of everyone living in Cyprus."

Anastasiades pointed out that the brotherly bonds between Cyprus and Armenia are primarily affirmed by the active presence of the Armenian community in Cyprus, which, although harmoniously assimilated into Cypriot culture, continues to honour its own culture, heritage, language and religious identity.

He added that Cyprus is a steadfast supporter of the strengthening of Armenia's ties with the European Union in every aspect of cooperation.

Anastasiades assured his Armenian counterpart that Cyprus looks forward to further strengthening relations between Cyprus and Armenia, which are "not merely close and sincere, but primarily fraternal".

Following the speeches, Anastasiades hosted a dinner in honour of the Armenian president.

## Armenia, Greece tied by history and traditions: Presidents Sargsyan and Pavlopoulos meet in Athens

The Presidents of Armenia and Greece Serzh Sargsyan and Prokopios Pavlopoulos discussed a wide range of issues as they met in Athens on March 14.

The leaders of the two countries referred to issues on bilateral and global agenda, cooperation within the framework of international organizations, development of Armenian-Greek cooperation in a number of fields of mutual interest, inter-parliamentary ties, international recognition and condemnation of the Armenian Genocide, settlement of the Karabakh conflict.

The Presidents discussed the Armenia-EU relations and the role of friendly Greece in their development, the crisis in

the Middle East and the humanitarian disaster it has caused, consequences of the migrant crisis, which has become a pan-European issue and a serious challenge to Greece.

Following the face-to face meeting, President Pavlopoulos of Greece hosted an official dinner in honor of the Armenian President.

"Armenians and Greeks are more than friends. They are tied by common history and traditions," President Sargsyan said at the dinner.

"As two ancient civilizations, the Armenian and Hellenic people have worked and created side by side, leaving their trace on the pages of world history.

They have fought side by side to earn their right to living. As adherents of the same values and morality, they stand side by side today to earn their right to survive and flourish. We continue to build on this legacy to reinforce the Armenian-Greek friendship."

President Sargsyan said the two countries have a rich bilateral agenda - from political dialogue to cooperation in the fields of education and culture. "We're actively cooperating in the military sphere. Greece is an important partner in Armenia-EU relations. The periodic reciprocal visits provide an opportunity to outline new perspectives of cooperation. A vivid example is my current visit, which aims to raise our

economic cooperation to a new level based on the existing potential," President Sargsyan concluded.

President Pavlopoulos noted, in turn, that the Armenian President's visit is yet another testament to the high level and extreme importance of political, economic and cultural relations between the two countries. "The two peoples survived sufferings at the turn of the 20th century because of the same reason. We'll not forget the Armenian genocide of 1915. We're glad to be one of the few countries to have given refuge to deportee Armenians and one of the first countries to have recognized the Armenia Genocide. On the other hand, the Armenian Parliament has recognized the genocide against the Pontian Greeks. We must keep in mind that historic memory is important for the collective consciousness of the humanity, also as for the future of the mankind. Under the conditions of the current crisis we must remember the past not as a means of seeding hatred, but as a tool of escaping such tragedies in the future," the Greek President said.



President Sargsyan agreed that "commemoration and condemnation of genocides pursue the aim of preventing future genocides and demonstrating that our enemies have not succeeded in their plans to annihilate a whole nation."

## Turkish Foreign Ministry reacts angrily to Greek, Armenian Genocide comments

The Turkish Foreign Ministry on March 18 accused Greece and Armenia of demonstrating their "joint hostility" towards Turkey during Armenian President Serzh Sargsyan's official visit to Athens earlier this week.

The ministry spokesman, Tanju Bilgic, condemned references to the World War One-era mass killings of Armenians and Greeks in Ottoman Turkey which were made by Greek President Prokopis Pavlopoulos and Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras during their separate meetings with Serzh Sargsyan.

At a joint news conference with Sargsyan, Tsipras spoke of Greeks' and Armenians' "history of suffering and persecution," saying that both peoples were victims of genocide perpetrated by the Ottoman Turks. Pavlopoulos, for his part, reportedly stated that "at the beginning of

the 20th century the two peoples endured tragic moments for the same reason."

"The statements in question are the products of a pathetic mentality proving that the relations and solidarity between Greece and Armenia is built upon a joint hostility and slander language directed against the Turkish identity," charged the Turkish Foreign Ministry spokesman.

"Turkey and the Turkish people will never give credit to those bringing to the fore at every opportunity a dictum of history which is unlawful, disconnected with realities, one-sided and obsessive," he added in a statement.

Official Yerevan rejected the Turkish criticism on Friday. "The centuries-old friendship between the Armenian and Greek peoples is based on their interwoven fate and many manifestations of mutual support," said Tigran Balayan, the

Armenian Foreign Ministry spokesman. "Making denialism the pivot of state policy does not rid Turkey of the responsibility to face its own history."

Greece officially recognized the 1915 Armenian massacres in Ottoman Turkey as genocide in 1999. In 2014, it also enacted a law making it a crime to publicly deny this and other genocides. The Armenian parliament, for its part, unanimously passed last year a resolution condemning "the genocide of Greeks and Assyrians perpetrated in the Ottoman Empire in 1915-1923."

The International Association of Genocide Scholars similarly concluded in 2007 that "the Ottoman campaign against Christian minorities of the Empire between 1914 and 1923 constituted a genocide against Armenians, Assyrians, and Pontic and Anatolian Greeks." Successive Turkish governments have vehemently denied this.

## Two Artsakh soldiers killed by Azerbaijani gunfire



The Nagorno-Karabakh Republic Defense Army serviceman Private Artyom Arseni Varderesian (b. 1996) was killed by Azerbaijani fire on the Artsakh frontline at 2:55 p.m. on March 17. Later

in the day, at around 5:30 p.m., another Karabakh soldier, Hovhannes Razmiki Harutyunyan (b. 1997), was killed by enemy fire.

According to press statements published by the Nagorno-Karabakh Republic Defense Ministry, investigations to determine the details surrounding these incidents are underway.

The Artsakh Defense Ministry expressed condolences to the families of Varderesyan and Harutyunyan, as well as the members of their units.

On March 17 and the early hours of

March 18, the Azerbaijani Army fired more than 600 shots from different caliber weapons. The Artsakh Army took retaliatory measures, according to the Ministry.

Last week, the Artsakh Army quelled a diversion attempt by the Azerbaijani Army that took place around 11:20 p.m. on March 10. According to the Artsakh Defense Ministry, the army pushed the Azerbaijani troops back to their positions, killing at least two and wounding several others; the Artsakh Army suffered no casualties.

## Opposition parties plan joint action on election bill

Yerevan - RFE /RL

Three major opposition parties represented in Armenia's parliament said on March 18 that they will work together in trying to secure significant changes in a new and controversial election bill drafted by the government.

Parliamentary leaders of the Armenian National Congress (HAK), Zharangutyun (Heritage) and National Revival (formerly Orinats Yerkir) parties said they are ready to jointly fight for amendments to the draft Electoral Code that could greatly influence the outcome of next year's parliamentary elections.

The HAK's Levon Zurabyan said they will specifically demand legal safeguards against multiple voting by government loyalists. The most important of those measures is a post-election publication of the names of voters who actually cast ballots.

Both the government and the ruling Republican Party of Armenia (HHK) have opposed the proposed safeguards until now.

In Zurabyan's words, Zharangutyun and National Revival also support HAK demands for the authorities to install video cameras in all polling stations and ensure live online broadcasts of the voting and counting processes. The three parties also agree that the parliamentary elections due in April or May 2017 must be held on a strictly party-list basis, he said.

Under the proposed Electoral Code, half of the parliament seats will be contested under a system similar to elections held in nationwide single-mandate constituencies where the ruling HHK has traditionally done well thanks to its control of government resources.

"We must publicize these demands as much as possible," said



Zaruhi Postanjyan, a Zharangutyun deputy. "These [opposition] demands must not be voiced only in the National Assembly."

The demands may also be backed by the Prosperous Armenia Party (BHK), a nominally opposition force that controls the second largest faction in the current National Assembly.

"Virtually all of the proposals made by our opposition partners are included in our package," said BHK leader Naira Zohrabyan. "But given the past experience, the BHK has decided not to enter into any ... [multi-party cooperation] formats inhibiting our activities."

The HHK controls the majority of parliament seats, putting it in a position to block any opposition motion. Still, its leaders have indicated that the ruling party is ready to consider opposition proposals regarding the Electoral Code.

## OSCE's Kasprzyk urges parties to adhere to the ceasefire on Nowruz and Easter



Ambassador Andrzej Kasprzyk, Personal Representative to the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office, on 17 March, conducted a monitoring exercise on the border between Armenia and Azerbaijan as part of his mandate.

"I received information from both sides on recent developments on the border, and listened to their concerns. Both sides highlighted the proximity of villages to the front lines, and that civilians have suffered greatly from ceasefire violations as a particular concern."

Personal Representative Kasprzyk said: "In light of the upcoming Nowruz Bayram and Easter holidays, I call on the sides to strictly adhere to the ceasefire and to avoid any action on the line of contact or on the border that could lead to an increase in tensions."

"I would like to take this opportunity to wish the people of the region all the best on the occasions of the upcoming holidays."

## EU, Armenia hold seventh round of human rights dialogue



On 17 March 2016, the European Union and Armenia held the seventh round of human rights dialogue in Yerevan.

The Armenian delegation was headed by Mr Garen Nazarian, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, and included officials and executives from different ministries and state agencies.

The EU Delegation was headed by Ms Elisabeth Tison, Head of Division, Human Rights Strategy and Policy Implementation, European External Action Service.

The dialogue was held in an open and constructive atmosphere, with discussions on a wide range of issues of mutual interest and concern, and allowed for an exchange of views on the human rights situation both in Armenia and in the EU.

Both sides acknowledged the progress in the reform process

regarding the protection and promotion of human rights in Armenia.

The talks, in particular, were focused on: the national framework for the protection of human rights and the country's commitment to achieving further progress in this area. Discussions also covered the judicial reform with a focus on penitentiary system; elections and electoral code; issues related to political freedoms and civil liberties and participation of civil society; anti-discrimination policy and protection of vulnerable groups; the situation with the rights of the child, and gender equality.

The partners also touched upon possibilities for concrete cooperation in the field of human rights within international organizations, in particular at the UN, the OSCE and the Council of Europe.

Both partners committed to continue their cooperation on these issues, and to promote the respect of human rights and democracy on national, regional and international level. Based on their shared values, they underlined the importance of the EU support in promoting reforms in Armenia.

The Armenia-EU human rights dialogue was established in December 2009. Since then, the meetings are convened once a year, alternately in Yerevan and Brussels.

## European Court publishes judgement in Zalyan and Others v. Armenia case

On March 17 the European Court of Human Rights published a judgment on the case of Zalyan and Others v. Armenia (application nos. 36894/04 and 3521/07). The case concerned the complaint by three former servicemen that they had been subjected to torture while performing their military service, being suspected of having murdered two other servicemen. One of the applicants also complained that he had been unlawfully deprived of his liberty.

In today's Chamber judgment in the case, the European Court of Human Rights held, unanimously, that there had been:

no violation of Article 3 (prohibition of torture and of inhuman or degrading treatment) of the European Convention on Human Rights as regards the applicants' alleged torture;

a violation of Article 3 of the Convention on account of the lack of an effective investigation into their complaints of having been subjected to torture; and

a violation of Article 5 §§ 1, 2 and 3 (right to liberty and security) in respect of one of the applicants, Mr Zalyan.

The Court considered that there was insufficient evidence to corroborate the

applicants' allegations of having been tortured, largely as a result of the authorities' failure to comply with the applicable procedural rules, under which the applicants would have had to be placed in a detention facility where they would have undergone a compulsory medical examination. At the same time, the Court found that the applicants had raised an arguable claim of having been subjected to ill-treatment.

Contrary to their obligation to carry out an effective investigation, the prosecution authorities had failed to make any serious attempts to investigate those allegations.

As regards Mr Zalyan's detention, the Court considered, in particular, that prior to 24 April 2004, he had been deprived of his liberty for the purposes of the criminal investigation while the alleged disciplinary penalty imposed on him had been only a formal pretext. As for the period from 24 August to 4 November 2004, there had been no court decision authorising his detention.

The applicants, Arayik Zalyan, Razmik Sargsyan, and Musa Serobyany, are Armenian nationals who were born in 1985 and live in Vanadzor and Gyumri

(Armenia). According to the applicants, on 19 April 2004, while performing their military service on the territory of the unrecognised Nagorno Karabakh Republic, they were taken to the office of their military unit's commander for questioning in connection with the murder of two servicemen in December 2003. The applicants maintain that they were beaten, threatened and verbally abused by law-enforcement officers in order to force them to confess to the murder. Subsequently they were taken to the military prosecutor's office, where the ill-treatment continued before they were transferred to the military police department. During the next two days they were again questioned several times - officially as witnesses, although they were already being suspected of the crime - and they were continually beaten and threatened with the aim of extorting a confession. They were not allowed to eat or sleep, and were transferred between several law enforcement agencies blindfolded and handcuffed.

The Court held that Armenia was to pay Mr Zalyan 20,000 euros (EUR) and the other two applicants EUR 15,000 each in respect of non-pecuniary damage.

## Armenia, Georgia, Iran, Russia to hold more talks on energy ties

Top energy officials from Georgia, Armenia, Iran and Russia will meet in Tbilisi next month for further negotiations on boosting power supplies among their countries, Armenian Energy Minister Levon Yolian confirmed on March 17.

The Armenian, Georgian and Iranian energy ministers as well as the chief executive of a leading Russian electric utility already met in Yerevan for that purpose in late December. The Armenian government said after that meeting that the four nations could create a common energy market after the construction of two new power transmission lines connecting Armenia with Georgia and Iran.

Yolian reaffirmed Armenia's hopes to become a major transit route for mutual electricity and gas supplies among them. "Quite active work is underway to involve Armenia's territory and energy sector in regional processes," he told reporters.

Yolian said the fresh talks on the issue are scheduled to start in the Georgian capital on April 11. He added that the energy ministers of the four states will take part in them.

The Georgian Energy Ministry similarly reported on Monday that the four-party meeting will be held in Tbilisi next month. "A Georgian delegation already held negotiations on this project in



Yerevan, and these negotiations are due to continue in Tbilisi," the ministry said in a statement to the Russian news agency RIA Novosti.

The statement came as Russian Energy Minister Aleksandr Novak visited Tehran and met with his Iranian counterpart Hamid Chitchian. Novak reportedly said after the meeting that Russia and Iran are discussing the creation of a joint "electricity supply network" that would run through Armenia and Azerbaijan. He gave no further details.

In a statement on the December talks in Yerevan, the Armenian Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources said Russia, Iran, Armenia and Georgia are exploring ways of establishing a "region-

al energy market."

In that regard, the ministry stressed the importance of the ongoing construction of a third and a more powerful high-voltage transmission line that will run from Armenia to Iran. Officials in Yerevan say the \$120 million facility, which is due to go on stream in 2018, will enable Armenia to quadruple exports of electricity to the Islamic Republic.

The ministry also emphasized that Armenia and Georgia will soon start building a similar line that will make their power grids more interconnected. The \$115 million project, also slated for completion by 2018, is financed by Germany's state-run development bank KfW and the European Union.

## Hayastan All-Armenian Fund renovates Melik village school



Hayastan All-Armenian Fund has renovated the secondary school of Melik, a village in Armenia's Aragatsotn region.

The refurbishment project, which was implemented with the support of the Surenian family of Argentina, has transformed the structure of 1994 into a modern facility featuring high-standard amenities- a new roof, doors and windows, renovated floors, lavatories, new electricity and heating systems and a newly constructed boiler house, beautifully redesigned entrance, and a renovated schoolyard.

Currently 168 students attend the school, which provides elementary-to-high-school education. According to the school principal Artur Ghevondyan students demonstrate outstanding abilities for natural sciences. Every year, between eight and ten graduates continue their studies at colleges or universities.

Founded in the 17th century, Melik has a population of close to 1,300. The village is located 20 km north-east from Aparan, 2100 meters above sea level, and has a severe climate.

## Armenian lawmakers discuss issues from VAT and economic competition to honorary titles

This week, the National Assembly of Armenia, in the second reading, fully passed a bill proposed jointly by some lawmakers and the government suggesting amendments to the law on Value Added Tax (VAT).

According to the bill VAT levied from cars imported from Eurasian Economic Union (EEU) member states is waived. The offer only applies to individuals, and will be practiced in the "one person, one car" model.

On Thursday, the National Assembly continued discussion over the 2016 activity program of the State Commission for the Protection of Economic Competition (SCPEC), again touching upon the issue of high gasoline prices in Armenia.

"According to the data by the renowned Platts agency, one ton of gasoline can be shipped from the International Petroleum Exchange to the Poti Sea Port in Georgia at a price of 310 dollars. From Poti it can be delivered to Sadakhlo (a Georgian village at the border with Armenia) at 85 dollars, if is not carried out by a monopoly transit. As for today's condition, the gasoline price in Armenia should have been no more than 310 drams (over 60 cents)," said Levon Zurabyan, the leader of the Armenian National Congress (ANC), parliamentary

faction.

SCPEC chairman Artak Shaboyan presented those three factors which account for the price differences: "Firstly, Georgian railway charges high freight tariffs for the transportation of gasoline through Georgia. The second factor is the difference between the tax policies of Armenia and Georgia: taxes for gasoline imports in Armenia are higher than in Georgia. And the third reason is relatively cheaper gasoline import opportunities from Azerbaijan and Turkmenistan to Georgia."

Lawmaker Samvel Alexanyan referred to MP Nikol Pashinyan's statement that his (Alexanyan's) sugar factory in Akhuryan does not produce sugar, but actually imports ready-made sugar, but to avoid high custom duties it is registered as raw sugar material.

Alexanyan said that he has not imported sugar for about five year. He imports raw sugar cane from Brazil and develops it at the Akhurian plant, producing 80,000 tons of sugar annually.

"If he can prove that I import ready-made sugar, let him do that, otherwise it's impossible to accuse someone with ungrounded information. Such things are natural, because there are elections ahead of us and Pashinyan is going to compete

with me in the same precinct," said the pro-government MP.

Minister of Urban Development Narek Sargsyan submitted to the parliament a bill which proposes setting up the title of Honored builder. He said that the issue was raised by the Builders Union, and the Government and the Ministry supported that decision.

Some lawmakers called the submitted bill an old "Soviet practice."

"Is it not time to abandon this Soviet practice? For understandable reasons, the Soviet government was trying maybe not particularly to bribe people, but to give them titles to keep them close to authorities, and so there was an unhealthy rivalry. Even today there is such an unhealthy rivalry, because people, who want to get a title, are well aware of the need to protect the authorities during elections," said opposition MP Alik Arzumanyan, urging them to abandon that approach.

Aghvan Vardanyan from the Armenian Revolutionary Federation is for removal of all titles, and for giving a systemic solution, otherwise it is impossible to verify the result of hundreds of similarly ranked people's work.

*By Gayane Mkrtychyan  
ArmeniaNow reporter*

## Nairit Issue: Ex-workers demand reoperation of Armenia's chemical giant

The Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources refuses to include former employees of the Nairit plant in the committee of reopening of the plant, some of the coordinators of the Nairit movement told media.

Nairit, a synthetic rubber producing factory, which was founded in 1940, has been idling for several years, and salaries of former employees have only been partially repaid. The plant's employees, who have been struggling for six years to get their back wages repaid, now demand that the plant be restarted.

According to the calculations by Nairit specialists, an investment of about \$60 million is needed to produce from 24,000 to 25,000 tons of rubber and to operate with benefits.

"After we turned to the new energy minister with our problem, he formed a working commission to study the possibility of reopening the plant and submit a proposal," said the experts, adding that their request to include two leading specialists of the plant in the commission has been rejected.

"The minister explained that we could negatively comment on the working group's activities, make a scandal and create a rally mood. But we want more than anyone else Nairit to be reoperated, if there are positive developments, we will present those as well," former Nairit engineer Karine Shahverdyan said.

Former Nairit factory workshop head Arageghetsik Karoyan, for his part, said that they have nothing against the commission members because all of them are their leaders. Simply, they say, the same people previously also presented a package of proposals to the government, which was rejected.

"It is six years that the Vardan Ayvazyan-led National Assembly working commission has been operating and it was supposed to look into the reasons for the suspension of Nairit's activities, debt accumulation. But until today there has been no conclusion from that commission, we have concerns that this one will have the same fate," he said, adding that concrete steps rather than working commissions are needed for the re-launching of the Nairit plant.



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- 1680- **Mashtots Ave.**, 5/4, 68sq.m, 1 bedroom, old repair, possibility of gas. Price: 86.000 USD.
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- 2949. **Aram str.**, Newly built, 1st floor, 143 sq.m, 2 bedrooms, zero state, Price: 2000 USD per sq.m.
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- 3046. **Amiryan str.**, Newly built, 9/9, 81sq.m., without divisions. Price: Negotiable.
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- 2998. **North Ave.**, Newly built, 9/6, 181sq.m, 3bedrooms, capitally repaired, climate control, parking. Price: 700.000 USD
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- 2958. **Pushkin str.**, 5/2, 140 sq.m., stone building, 4 bedrooms, capitally repaired, heating system. Price: Negotiable.
- 2895. **Northern Ave.**, Newly built, 3rd floor, 300sq.m, 3bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitally repaired, climate control, AC. Price: negotiable
- 2802. **Amiryan str.**, Newly built, 8/4, 166sq.m, 3bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitally repaired, central heating, AC, security system. Price: 320.000 USD.
- 1104. **Komitas Ave.**, **Aram Khachatryan str.**, 5/2, 125sq.m., stone bld, h-2.75m., 3 bedrooms, office, 2 bathrooms, old repair, gas, garage. Price:

130.000 USD

•2836. **Pushkin str.**, 4/4,5, 400sq.m., 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, capitally repaired, heating system, AC. Price: 460.000 USD.

•2990. **North Ave.**, Newly built, 11th floor, 295sq.m, 4 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, capitally repaired, climate control, parking. Price: Negotiable.

## PREMISES

- 1789. **Charents str.** Land-1270sq.m, 5 storied building, each floor-400sq.m., basement, capitally repaired, parkings. Price: 4.000.000 USD negotiable
- 1598. **Komitas, Nairy Zaryan str.**, 1000 sq.m., working restaurant, 1st line, capitally repaired. Price: negotiable.
- 1603. **Northern Ave.**, Ground floor of the building, 160 sq.m., zero level, window glasses. Price: 2.600.000 USD.

•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,

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•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 Mkrtyan block, 1000 sq.m.,

electricity, gas, water, the district is inhabited. Price: 30USD per sq.m

•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

•3739. **Nork Marash** Land- 2000sq.m, two separate houses, total bld-600sq.m, capitally repaired, swimming pool, sauna, guard house. 2 car parking, garden. Price: 950.000 USD

•3348. **Blur, Barbyus str.** Land - 800 sq.m, 3 storied bld.-700 sq.m, 4bedrooms, 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

•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., 3bedrooms, 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. **Antarayan str**, Newly built, land-700sq.m, 3 storied bld-690sq.m, 5 bedrooms, capitally repaired. Price: 1.300.000 USD

•3712 **Cascade** Newly built, land-450sq.m, 4 storied bld-600sq.m, zero state. Price: 550.000 USD

## NEWLY BUILT RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

•142. **Verin Antarayan str.**, 14 floors, 65-133sq.m, capitally renovated, parking. Price: 900-1300 USD

•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**. 3floors, 8 flats, each flat has 3 bedrooms, 210 sq.m., parking. Price: negotiable.

•130. **Antarayan 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, capitolly repaired, furnished, equipped. Price: 1000 USD.
- 2099. **Sayat-Nova Ave.**, 12/6, 1 bedroom, capitolly repaired, gas, heating system, AC, furnished, equipped. Price: 600 USD.
- 1972. **Northern ave.**, 8/4, 80sqm, 1 bedroom, 2 bathrooms, open kitchen, capitolly repaired, climate control. Price: 1200 USD
- 2171. **Tumanyan str.**, Newly built, 5th floor, 94 sq.m., 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom, capitolly repaired, central heating, furnished, equipped. Price: 1000 USD
- 2367. **Northern ave.**, Newly built, 9th floor, 98 sq.m., capitolly repaired, heating system, furnished equipped. Price: Negotiable.

### 2 ROOMS

- 2302 **North Ave**, Newly built, 11/4, 137sq.m, 2bedrooms, 2bathrooms, capitolly repaired, furnished, parking. Price: 2000 USD
- 1780. **Amiryan str**, Newly built, /13th floor, 82 sq.m, 2 bedrooms, capitolly repaired, heating system, AC, furnished, equipped. Price: 1700 USD negotiable.
- 942. **Teryan str.** 4/3, 130 sq.m., 2 bedrooms, capitolly repaired, heating system, furnished, equipped. Price: 1500 USD.
- 1950. **Buzand/Mashtots area**. Newly built, 8th floor, 163 sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitolly repaired, climate control, furnished, open balcony. Price: 2500 USD.
- 1681. **Northern Ave.**, Newly built, 6/2, 130 sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitolly repaired, heating system, AC, parking. Price: 2000 USD.
- 1535. **Busand str.**, Newly built, 7/4, 82sq.m, 2bedrooms, capitolly repaired, heating system, AC, parking, furnished, equipped. Price: Negotiable.
- 1738. **Amiryan str.**, 8/8, 159sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitolly repaired, heating system, parking. Price: Negotiable
- 1951. **Busand str.**, Newly built, 13th floor, 122sq.m, 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitolly repaired, climate control. Price: 2500 USD
- 1406. **Sayat Nova ave.**, 7/3, 110sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitolly repaired, heating system, furnished, equipped. Price: Negotiable
- 2109. **Northern ave.**, Newly built, 10/4, 137sq.m, 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitolly repaired, central heating, furnished, equipped, parking. Price: 2000 USD.
- 2243. **Buzand str**, Newly built, 17/4, 125sq.m, 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitolly repaired, heating system, AC, furnished, equipped. Price: 2000 USD
- **Amiryan str**, Newly built, 14/5, 120sqm, 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitolly repaired, heating system, AC, partly furnished. Price 2000 USD

### 3 ROOMS AND MORE

- 2358 **V. Sargsyan str**, Newly Built, 7/4, 145sq.m, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, one guest toilet, capitolly renovated, furnished, underground parking. Price: 3000 USD negotiable
- 2353 **V. Sargsyan str. 8/5**, Newly built, 98sq.m, 2bedrooms, capitolly renovated, furnished, Price 1500 USD
- 2347 **Teryan str.** Newly built, 10/8, 320sq.m, 3bedrooms, office, 3 bathrooms, capitolly repaired, furnished. Price: Negotiable
- 2277. **Kievyan str.** duplex, 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, capitolly repaired, with or without furniture. Price: Negotiable.
- 2310 **Busand str.**, Newly built, 190sq.m, 3bedrooms, 3bathrooms, capitolly repaired, furnished, parking. Price: 2500 USD
- 2316 **Northern Ave**, Newly built, 6th floor,

- 227sq.m., 4bedrooms, 2bathrooms, guest toilet, capitolly repaired, furnished, parking. Price: 2500 USD
- 2303 **Hanrapetutyun str** Newly built, 9/5, 165sq.m, 3bedrooms, 1bathroom, 1 guest toilet. capitolly repaired, furnished, parking. Price: 2000 USD
- 2257. **Northern Ave.**, Newly built, 17/16, 160 sq.m., 3 bedrooms, capitolly repaired, heating system, AC, parking. Price: Negotiable
- 2005. **Northern Ave.**, Newly built, 8/8, 130 sq.m, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitolly repaired, heating system, furnished, parking. Price: 2200 USD.
- 1723. **Northern Ave.**, Newly built, 8/4., 170 sq.m 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, open kitchen, capitolly repaired, furnished, equipped. Price: 2000 USD.
- 1981. **Vardanants Str.**, Newly built, 14/14, 140 sq m, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitolly 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, capitolly repaired, climate control, parking, unfurnished (possible to furnish), Price: 3500 USD.
- 1720. **Amiryan str.**, Newly built, 16/10, 179 sq.m, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitolly 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, capitolly repaired, climate control, AC, parking. Price: 5000 USD
- 2261. **Hin Yerevantsi**, /North Avenue/, Newly built, 10/3, 124sq.m., 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitolly repaired, heating system, AC, furnished, equipped, parking. Price: 1700 USD
- 2084. **Tumanyan str.**, 4th floor, 200sq.m, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitolly repaired, climate control, parking. Price: 5000 USD
- 2252. **Northern ave**, 7th floor, 350 sq.m., 3 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, study, open balconies, capitolly repaired, climate control, parking. Price Negotiable.



### PRIVATE HOUSES

- 1335 **Baghramyan str.**, Land-200sq.m, 3storied bld-300sq.m., 4 bedrooms, 3bathrooms, capitolly repaired, furnished. Price: 3000 USD
- 1336 **Aygedzor**, Land-1000sq.m, 2 storied bld-240sq.m, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, capitolly repaired, furnished. Price: 2000 USD
- 1337 **Davtashen** Land-406sq.m, 3 storied bld-306sq.m, 4bedrooms, 2bathrooms, capitolly repaired, furnished. Price: 3900 USD
- 1323. **Monument, Babayan str**, Land-400sq.m, 3storied bld-300sq.m, 4bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, capitolly repaired. Price: Negotiable
- 1248. **Aygedzor**, Land - 1021 sq m ,3 storied bld. - 501 sq.m., 5 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, study, capitolly 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, capitolly 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, capitolly 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, capitolly 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, capitolly repaired, no furniture/ can be furnished, if necessary /garage for 2 cars. Price: 4 000 USD.
- 1293. **Nork-Marash**, Land-1100sq.m, 2 storied bld-520 sq.m, 6 bedrooms, 5 bathrooms, capitolly 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, capitolly 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, capitolly 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, capitolly 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, capitolly 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, capitolly repaired, heating system, AC, garden. Price: Negotiable
- 1317. **Blur, Barbyus str.**, Land-900sq.m., 5 storied building-800sq.m., 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, capitolly 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, capitolly repaired, heating system, AC, furnished, equipped. Price: Negotiable

### PREMISES

- 2049. **Teryan str**, ground floor+basemnet, 1st line, 200sq.m, repaired. Price: 6.000 USD
- 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, capitolly repaired, gas, heating system, parking. Price: Negotiable.
- 1462. **Teryan str.**, 3 storied building, 800 sq.m., capitolly repaired, AC, parking. Price: 10.000 USD.
- 1945. **Mashtots Ave.**, 5/1, 2, 140sq.m., window glasses, capitolly repaired, AC. Price: 8000 USD
- 1943. **Tumanyan str.**, Ground floor of the building, 265sq.m., 1st line, capitolly repaired, heating system, cellar. Price: 7000 USD
- 1868. **Tumanyan str.**, Ground floor of the building, 220sq.m., 1st line, facade-55m., capitolly repaired, h-5m., cellar. Price: 15.000 USD.
- 2087. **Northern ave.**, Ground floor of the building, 100sq.m, 1st line, zero level, capitolly 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, capitolly 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, capitolly repaired. Price: 4.000 USD

## PM Hovik Abrahamyan: "Technology and Science Dynamics Has a Great Future"

The Head of the Govt getting familiar at the TSD with the ArmTab/ArmPhone production and the young talents

The first products branded as ArmTab and ArmPhone will appear at the Armenian market in May, Prime Minister **Hovik Abrahamyan** was informed during his visit to Technology and Science Dynamics (TSD) company factory on 15 March. In turn, the Government promised to support them in making the products' ads. Last year TSD launched a program of providing schools with ArmTab tablets. Some 700 tablets have already been made available under the program which is to be continued throughout this year.

117 specialists have been engaged in technological and R&D projects worked out in TSD, and the new jobs are to be created soon.

TSD Founding President Dr **Vahan Chakarian** said that some three years ago some people were not so much optimistic in terms of their ability to produce the mentioned products: "They were saying to me smth like "You're a crazy", but today the same people come to us, asking actively on the products, technology, etc.. ". Currently they negotiate with telecom companies to sale the products at the local retail market. As the newly appointed RA Economy Minister **Artsvik Minasyan** stressed, the ArmPhones and the ArmTabs are essentially cheaper than the same quality imported products of the world famous brands (USD 200 vs USD 400-430).

During his visit PM Abrahamyan has also met young researchers working at the TSD. In particular, the Premier gave some practical advises to a group working out technology of manufacturing plastic bags that later could be utilised as fertilizers. Mr Abrahamyan was also informed on the Mergelyan Young Researches Club created under the TSD aegis and aimed at revealing new talents in Armenia.

Talking to reporters, Prime Minister Abrahamyan hailed the company noting that he is pleased to say that it has a great future. Hovik Abrahamyan emphasized that the Government will continue to support the IT sector considering it a priority.

PM said to have instructed the Ministry of Economy to pro-



vide continued support and discuss each project, if necessary. Mr Abrahamyan said he was confident the domestic IT sector "has a great future and, therefore, it will be the focus of the Government".

It should be noted that in order to have highly qualified professionals in the IT sector, the Government has been founding engineering and robotics labs/workshops in schools.



## VivaCell-MTS and “Junior Achievement of Armenia” Support Student NGOs



Twelve student non-governmental organizations received grants in the frames of “Entrepreneurial and Civic Activism for Students of Vulnerable Communities of Armenia”.

The program was aimed at ensuring literacy of students in the spheres of economy and entrepreneurship. The students had opportunity to apply the acquired theoretical knowledge in practice by founding commercial organizations. In the frames of the program, the students got acquainted with the principles of CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) and elaborated a strategy for student business companies.

“Junior Achievement of Armenia” is the first NGO to have applied Corporate Social Responsibility strategies in the sphere of public education. CSR is a relatively new concept in the Armenian business community. The students learnt about CSR on the example of VivaCell-MTS – the pioneer of Corporate Social

Responsibility in Armenia.

In 2011, VivaCell-MTS and “Junior Achievement of Armenia” signed a Memorandum of Understanding delineating areas of cooperation in the field of education.



«It is very important to use the opportunities life has prepared for you. In this respect, I appreciate the enthusiasm of these young people that have gathered here. To achieve success, you should be ready to take risks and to learn from others’ success stories. This can enrich your knowledge making you more provident, competent, and successful. VivaCell-MTS appreciates and encourages the striving of young people to acquire knowledge and new skills», VivaCell-MTS Founding General Manager **Ralph Yirikian** said.

Over 150 student non-governmental organizations from all the regions of the country participated in the contest organized by “Junior Achievement of Armenia”. The winners will use the grants for the implementation of various social projects in their respective communities.

The “Entrepreneurial and Civic Activism” program seeks to instill among the youth of vulnerable communities the belief in their own capabilities and in a bright future.



## Armenians, Assyrians praise John Kerry for calling ISIS actions genocide

After months of pressure from lawmakers, clergy and some Southern California-based organizations, Secretary of State John Kerry used the word genocide on March 18 to describe atrocities committed by the Islamic State not only toward Yazidis, but also on Christians and other ethnic minorities who live in the Middle East.

By calling the Islamic State's actions a genocide against Christians symbolizes a change within the Obama administration, members of Southern California's Armenian and Assyrian organizations noted, The Los Angeles Daily News reports.

The Knights of Columbus, the Armenian National Committee of America and nearly 30 other bishops and groups agreed in a letter to Kerry last year that the Yazidis endured great suffering. But they also urged the Obama administration to consider the beheadings, forced conversions, deportations, and destruction of churches by ISIS against the ancient Christian people of Iraq and Syria as genocide.

"My purpose in appearing before you today is to assert that, in my judgment, Daesh is responsible for genocide against groups in areas under its control, including Yazidis, Christians, and Shia Muslims," said Kerry, using the Arabic word for ISIS. "Daesh is genocidal by self-proclamation, by ideology, and by actions - in what it says, what it believes, and what it does. Daesh is also responsible for crimes against humanity and ethnic cleansing directed at these same groups and in some cases also against Sunni Muslims, Kurds, and other minorities."

Kerry's announcement came three days after the House of Representatives unanimously voted to support a nonbinding resolution that calls the actions of ISIS a genocide against Christians and other ethnic minorities in Iraq and Syria.

Several California lawmakers, including U.S. Rep. Brad Sherman, D-Sherman Oaks, backed the resolution and said it gives the United States leverage to hold ISIS accountable if it came time to accuse its leaders of crimes against humanity. The con-



gressman's San Fernando Valley district includes a large Assyrian, Chaldean, Syriac and Armenian diaspora community.

"While the resolution itself doesn't outline what military actions to take, I think it serves to justify we need to take the gloves off," Sherman said earlier this week.

Kerry's announcement may also encourage passage of another resolution that calls on President Obama to encourage Turkey's acknowledgment of the Armenian Genocide which took place beginning in 1915 and resulting in nearly 1.5 million deaths among them alone, said Nora Hovsepian, chairwoman of the Glendale-based Armenian National Committee of America-Western Region. Many Armenians who survived later settled in towns in Syria, where ISIS recently destroyed their churches and forced them to leave.

More than 160,000 Armenians and their supporters marched through Hollywood last year to mark the centennial start of the genocide and to call for global recognition.

Another rally to demand reparations will be held on April 24 in front of the Turkish Consulate.

"We believe this is a new day in terms of speaking truth of what is happening in the region," Hovsepian said. "We believe the next logical step would be passage of H.R. 154. I think

Kerry's announcement should give wind to the sails of the resolution because it's along the same lines. Armenians were persecuted by the Ottoman Turks. Genocide was committed against us. Now the same thing is happening again."

Members of A Demand for Action, a group founded in 2014 to raise awareness and create a safe haven in Iraq for indigenous people and minorities, said they were pleased with Kerry's statement but will press lawmakers to hold the perpetrators accountable.

"We are thanking every organization, every person that shed light of this genocide," said Nuri Kino, a Swedish Assyrian author and journalist who founded A Demand For Action. "It's a joint effort. This shows that grassroots movements work."

Ramond Takhsh, president of the North Hollywood-based Assyrian American Association Southern California, called Kerry's announcement an important step forward for his people.

"We have been witnessing our brothers and sisters being kidnapped, killed, or forced to leave in Iraq and Syria due to their religious and ethnic identity", Takhsh said in a statement. "We are pleased that the U.S. Government is finally taking action to label this tragedy as it should, which is a genocide".

## Turkish authorities threaten to commit genocide against Kurds as they did with Armenians. Sargis Hatspanyan

### 16 MART 1921: MOSKOVA ANTLAŞMASI BATI ERMENİSTAN'IN İŞGALİNİN BAŞLANGICIDIR.



Turkish government has openly announced that Kurdish issue will be solved only by military forces, moreover, Turkey will treat with Kurds as they treated with Armenians in 1915. On March 16, this was announced by the regional affairs expert Sarkis Hatspanyan, referring to the recent events took place in Turkey. According to him, the situation is explosive in Turkey, because the The Kurdish Liberation Movement came down from mountains to the city and

established liberating areas.

"Since 2013 Workers' Party which considered to be the leading unit of the Kurdish Liberation Movement started negotiations about their refusal from their long-standing program of Independent Kurdistan state and as citizens of Turkey they want to demonstrate cultural autonomy, set up schools, and have their candidate in the local government bodies."

As S. Hatspanyan climbs, Iraqi Kurdistan will also apply for forming an

independent state unit, which was accepted by the United States, Europe and Israel.

Referring to the latest actions of the Kurdish liberation movement, the expert mentioned, that the Kurdish fighters, came down from the mountains, mainly see Tigranakert as their future capital.

In the central district of Tigranakert, where two Armenian large churches St. Sargis and St. Cyprus are located, Kurds built trenches from the sandbags for self-defense and do not allow the Turkish law enforcement agency to enter to that district, which has caused to Turkish - Kurdish clashes during the last 3-4 weeks.",- said the speaker, adding, that the authors of the explosions, took place in Ankara on February and yesterday, were Kurdish youths.

According to S. Hatspanyan, Peoples' Democratic Party in contrast to the Turkish Parliament's leading political parties has not condemn the terrorist activities of Kurdish youth and participated in the funeral of the suicide bomber, which is unprecedented in the whole history of Turkey.

S. Hatspanyan believes, that all that clashes acclaim about the undeclared war the result of which will be unpredictable: "The Turks threat to commit genocide against Kurdish people and the Kurds are not able to give an adequate response".



## Pope confirms planned visit to Armenia



Pope Francis plans to pay his first-ever visit to Armenia this year, the Vatican reportedly confirmed on Friday.

The Reuters news agency quoted a Vatican spokesman as saying that the pontiff will most likely to travel to Armenia and spend several days there at the end of June. But the exact dates of the visit have not yet been set, he said.

The Armenian Apostolic Church announced last month that Francis's trip is "expected in September" and that the Echmiadzin office of its supreme head, Catholicos Garegin II, is "in contact with the Vatican in connection with the

visit's organization."

Garegin and President Serzh Sargsyan personally invited the pontiff to visit their country in 2014, underlining increased links between the Roman Catholic and Armenian Apostolic Churches. Both men attended his papal inauguration in 2013.

One of Francis's predecessors, John Paul II, and the previous Armenia Church head, Garegin I, laid the groundwork for the rapprochement in 1996 with a joint declaration that put an end to centuries-old theological disputes between the two Christian denom-

inations. John Paul went on to become in 2001 the first Catholic Church leader to set foot on Armenian soil. During that historic trip, he issued a joint declaration with Garegin I describing the 1915 Armenian massacres in Ottoman Turkey as genocide.

Francis has publicly reaffirmed the genocide recognition during his papacy, most recently at an April 2015 mass at the Vatican's St. Peter's Basilica dedicated to the 100th anniversary of the tragedy. Turkey reacted angrily to his reference to "the first genocide of the 20th century," accusing the pontiff of distorting history and recalling its ambassador to the Vatican in protest.

Armenia rejected the Turkish criticism. Foreign Minister Edward Nalbandian praised Francis for delivering the "important message of solidarity with and support to the Armenian people."

Francis again paid tribute to Armenians massacred "just for being Christians" after holding a mass with Armenian Catholic Patriarch Gregory Peter XX at the Vatican's St. Martha chapel in September. He compared their suffering with the ongoing persecution of ancient Christian communities of the Middle East.

## Australian MP remembers and condemns Sumgait massacre of Armenians by Azerbaijan

On Wednesday, 16 March 2016, the Federal Member for Bennelong, Mr. John Alexander, spoke in the Federation Chamber of Australia's Parliament to commemorate the 28th anniversary of the Sumgait Pogroms that took place in February 1988, the Armenian National Assembly of Australia reports.

During his address, Alexander spoke of the oppressive history of the region towards Armenians, stemming from the Armenian Genocide of 1915-1923 by the former Ottoman Empire, to the anti-Armenian Sumgait Pogroms, and how Azerbaijan's poor human rights record has continued today.

Alexander talked about the history of the Sumgait Pogroms and how peaceful demonstrations held by the Armenian people living in Azerbaijan and in the region of

Nagorno-Karabakh to re-unite with Armenia, turned sour as violence broke out "as an act of collective punishment". He then went on to mention the manner of which destruction was brought about by Azerbaijani mobs, through systematic attacks and assaults on the Armenians of Sumgait, as well as brutal murders, tortures, burning, and rape of women and young girls.

Alexander stressed that the crimes committed in Sumgait "were never adequately prosecuted by the then Soviet or Azerbaijani authorities" and led to his explanation of Azerbaijan's poor human rights record, and specifically mentioning the case of Ramil Safarov.

"This year the world will celebrate the 25th Anniversary of Independence of the Republic of Nagorno-Karabakh, and next

month we will commemorate 101 years since the start of the Armenian Genocide," stated Alexander.

In the conclusion of his speech, Alexander mentioned the lack of attention these cases have had in the media, in Parliament and in the history classes of schools. He then commented on how Armenians have been able to "flourish" and have been able to "proudly celebrate their cultural traditions".

ANC Australia's Executive Administrator, Arin Markarian said: "We thank Mr. Alexander for the heartfelt speech he made, remembering the innocent Armenian victims of the Sumgait Pogroms, while highlighting the chain effect that has occurred as a result of not condemning human rights violations and anti-Armenian behaviour by the Azerbaijani government."

## Armenia as a center of humanity: Aurora Prize finalists announced in Yerevan

The names of the Aurora Prize finalists are already known. The four candidates are Marguerite Barankitse, from Maison Shalom and REMA Hospital in Burundi; Dr. Tom Catena, from Mother of Mercy Hospital in the Nuba Mountains of Sudan; Syeda Ghulam Fatima, the General Secretary of the Bonded Labor Liberation Front in Pakistan; and Father Bernard Kinvi, a Catholic priest in Bossemptele in the Central African Republic.

The Aurora Prize for Awakening Humanity is a new global award that will be given annually to individuals who put themselves at risk to enable others to survive. Recipients will be recognized for the exceptional impact their actions have made on preserving human life and advancing humanitarian causes, having overcome significant challenges along the way. One of the four finalists, the ultimate Aurora Prize Laureate, will receive a grant of US\$100,000 and the chance to continue the cycle of giving by nominating organizations that inspired his or her work for a US\$1 million award.

"This project is extremely important for Armenia and the Armenian people, as it builds on the deep philosophy that we, Armenians, are a winning nation," Director of Communications at 100 LIVES and The Aurora Prize Armine Afeyan told reporters in Yerevan on March 16.

According to 100LIVES and Aurora Prize project CEO Arman Jilavyan, the prize pursues concrete goals. "We are a winning nation, a grateful nation. We can express gratitude to



the world in the name of the whole nation. Having passed through a hellish road, today we have a concrete goal and mission. First of all, it's humanity, and Armenia can and must become one of the centers of it," he added.

One of the four finalists will be announced as the inaugural Aurora Prize Laureate during a ceremony in Yerevan, Armenia on April 24, 2016. Selection Committee Co-Chair George Clooney will present the award.

## "Armenia: Legend of being" exhibition opens in Moscow



On a working visit to the Russian Federation, President Serzh Sargsyan attended on March 11 the official opening ceremony of the "Armenia: Legend of being" exhibition at the State Historical Museum of Moscow organized under the program of cooperation between the Ministries of Culture of Armenia and Russia.

More than 160 unique items from the three leading museums in Armenia - the History Museum, the Museum of the Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin and the Matenadaran Institute

of Ancient Manuscripts - are showcased.

The exhibition will provide the visitors with an opportunity to learn about the centuries-long history of Armenia, its multi-faceted cultural traditions.

President Sargsyan left a note in the book of honorary guests: "It's an honor for me, as the President of Armenia, to be in one of the oldest buildings of Moscow - the State Historical Museum of Moscow, where the "Armenia: Legend of being" exhibition dedicated to the centuries-long history of the Armenian people is on display. There are many glorious pages of interweaving of history of the brotherly Armenian and Russian peoples. I'm confident that the collection of the unique documents and items kept here will be enriched with new valuable testaments of our everlasting friendship."

President Sargsyan later participated in an award ceremony at the Armenian Embassy in Russia. The President bestowed a Friendship Order to Valery Zorkin, President of the Russian Constitutional Court, for considerable contribution to the reinforcement and development of Armenian-Russian friendly ties, the long-term effective cooperation in the field of constitutional justice.

Friendship Orders were awarded to Russian's Prosecutor General Yuri Chayka and President of the Russian Investigative Committee Ivan Bastrykin for their contribution to the deepening of cooperation between the law-enforcement bodies of the two countries, the reinforcement and development of Armenian-Russian friendly ties.

## Armenia's Ererouyk, Ani Pemza among 7 most endangered heritage sites in Europe

The Archaeological site of Ererouyk and the village of Ani Pemza in Armenia, Patarei Sea Fortress in Tallinn in Estonia, Helsinki-Malmi Airport in Finland, Colbert Swing Bridge in Dieppe in France, the Kampos of Chios in Greece, the Convent of St. Anthony of Padua in Extremadura in Spain, and the Ancient city of Hasankeyf and its surroundings in Turkey have been named as the 7 Most Endangered heritage sites in Europe in 2016. Europa Nostra, the leading European heritage organisation, and the European Investment Bank Institute (EIBI) made the announcement during a public event at the Ateneo Veneto in Venice, Italy.

These gems of Europe's cultural heritage are in serious danger, some due to lack of resources or expertise, others due to neglect or inadequate planning. Urgent action is therefore needed. Expert missions to the sites will be arranged and feasible action plans submitted by the end of the year. 'The 7 Most Endangered' has the support of the Creative Europe programme of the European Union, as part of Europa Nostra's network project 'Mainstreaming Heritage'.

Europa Nostra and the European Investment Bank Institute, together with other partners and the nominators, will visit the 7 selected sites and meet with key stakeholders in the coming months. The heritage and financial experts will provide technical advice, identify possible sources of funding and mobilise broad support.

The 7 Most Endangered for 2016 were selected by the Board of Europa Nostra from the 14 sites shortlisted by a panel of specialists in history, archaeology, architecture, conservation, project analysis and finance. Nominations were submitted by civil society or public bodies which form part of Europa Nostra's vast network of member and associate organisations from all over Europe.

### The 7 Most Endangered heritage sites in Europe in 2016

#### **Archaeological Site of Ererouyk and village of Ani Pemza, ARMENIA**

Ererouyk is a superb monument of Early Christian architecture, an architecture of great variety and distinction, today often subjected to neglect, if not willful destruction, in most of its original homeland around the Eastern Mediterranean. Armenian religious architecture, amongst the finest and most innovative, is well represented by Ererouyk. The monument dates back to the 6th century and lies on a rocky plateau close to the river that forms the border with Turkey, in the vicinity of the ancient capital Ani. All around the three-aisled basilica lay the remains of funerary and other relevant monuments which deserve immediate study and preservation. This is crucial for the understanding of a settlement within a multi-ethnic and multi-cultural framework during the Middle Ages, as demonstrated by relevant archaeological findings that also need to be studied and displayed.



The site is at constant danger from earthquakes, a danger increased by the condition of the monument. Yet, if preserved and well managed, it has the potential to give life to the whole region as a site that will attract visitor, with the nearby Soviet-era style village of Ani Pemza, built in 1926, serving as a potential centre for cultural tourism.

The Centre of Studies and Documentation of Armenian Culture in Italy (CSDCA) submitted the nomination for 'The 7 Most Endangered' 2016.

#### **Patarei Sea Fortress in Tallinn, ESTONIA**

Patarei is a complex of buildings, originally built as a naval fortress under Tsarist rule in 1829-1840. It became a prison between 1920 and 2005, and contains monuments to victims of both Nazi and Stalinist rule. The site is thus closely linked to the sad vicissitudes of Estonia's recent history. Its rapid deterioration is due to lack of maintenance in harsh climatic conditions.

#### **Helsinki-Malmi Airport, FINLAND**

Helsinki-Malmi Airport is a rare surviving example of pre-World War II aviation architecture, built for the 1940 Olympic Games, scheduled to be held in Helsinki but cancelled due to the war.

Malmi Airport, complete with its original hangar, terminal and runways, is still in use with about 40,000 landings per year, offering the only free-schedule international service within 150 km. The area has been declared a cultural environment of national significance by Finland's National Board of Antiquities. Its open meadow has considerable biodiversity and makes the nature path encircling the site very popular among locals. Helsinki's new General Plan proposes to fill the airport with apartment blocks to be constructed in the early 2020s, while the state is to withdraw its operations from the airport by the end of 2016.

**Colbert Swing Bridge in Dieppe, Normandy, FRANCE**

The Colbert Bridge, built in 1889, is contemporary with the Eiffel Tower and still functions with its original system of hydraulic pression, carrying about 12,000 vehicles and 1,800 pedestrians daily, makes it an important example of the technical and architectural achievements of the late 19th century. It swings 6 to 8 times each day for the harbour traffic and ensures greater reliability than many modern bridges.

Although one of the earliest examples of "moveable" architecture, a living memory of Dieppe's cultural and social history and potentially a tourist attraction, its owner, the Syndicat Mixte du Port de Dieppe is planning to demolish it and replace it with a new structure in 2017.

**Kamos of Chios, island of Chios, GREECE**

The Kampos of Chios is a semi-urban, semi-rural area where the islands' wealthier families built beautiful mansions of local stone, surrounded by citrus orchard estates. The 200 houses and towers which survive, combined with high stone walls separating the estates and narrow surrounding lanes, create a poetic landscape.

**Convent of St. Anthony of Padua, Extremadura, SPAIN**

The Convent of St. Anthony of Padua near Cáceres compris-

es a late Gothic church, built in 1476 with some small additions in the Renaissance period and, most notably, others from between 1656 and 1661. The convent lies in the village of Garrovillas de Alconétar, which has a long history and a wealth of monuments; all in danger of dereliction as its inhabitants move on to larger cities.

**Ancient city of Hasankeyf and its surroundings, TURKEY**

Hasankeyf, sitting on the banks of the River Tigris, is one of the most important architectural and archaeological sites in Europe, boasting a rich biodiversity and 12,000 years of human history. Masterpieces of Islamic architecture, dating from the 12th to 15th centuries C.E., make the town one of the best preserved witnesses to Seljuk urban culture, particularly from the Artukid and Ayyubid dynasties.

In addition, Europa Nostra and the EIB Institute - following a firm recommendation from an international advisory panel of experts - decided that the Venice Lagoon in Italy should be declared the most endangered heritage site in Europe.

**Venice Lagoon, ITALY**

There could be no Venice and no Venetian civilization without the lagoon. Few historic sites in the world demonstrate so clearly the interdependence of humankind with our environment, of nature with culture.

Yet just as the world contributes to the conservation of monuments in the city, unsustainable development is cutting the physical branch on which Venice has always perched.

**The young singer-songwriters of Yeghegnadzor will organize monthly concerts in Yerevan**



The young singer-songwriters of Yeghegnadzor have embarked to organize monthly evening concerts in Yerevan for strengthening the cultural relations between Yerevan and the regions.

On March 16, during the press conference took place in Noyan Tapan news agency press center, singer-songwriter Arman Vardanyan informed, that their first author's song concert will be on March 17 in Press Building, during which they will sing their own songs accompanied by flute, violin and gui-

tar. According to him, youngsters have a goal to restore one of the old traditions of Vayots Dzor, when in 1980-90s in Yeghegnadzor were regularly organized Pan-Armenian festivals of author songs.

"In 2012, We tried to reconstruct that tradition: gathering all the singer-songwriters we start to organize concerts in Yeghegnadzor then in Tavush, Syunik Provinces, in Artsakh and today we decide to move all this to Yerevan and create a bridge between province's youngsters and the people of Yerevan",- emphasized A. Vardanyan.

According to him, formerly the youngsters were organizing a number of concerts in many military units of Armenia on their own resources.

According to the guitarist, singer Arsen Sardaryan, they try to restore the old tradition and to breathe a new life into the old songs through this program: "We are trying to popularize author's songs and involve more youngsters in all this".

At the end of the press conference singer-songwriters Arthur Martirosyan, Arman Vardanyan and Arsen Sardaryan performed some of their songs.

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**WHAT? WHEN? WHERE?****Enjoy your leisure****21 March**

**19:30. If I Were a PaPa.** //State Puppet Theater after H. Tumanyan

**19:30.The Divergent Series: Allegiant** (in English). Director: Robert Schwentke  
Starring: Shailene Woodley, Zoe Kravitz, Theo James, Miles Teller, Naomi Watts.  
//Cinema Star

**22 March**

**19:00. Vache Sharafyan - 50.** Soloists:  
Polina Sharafyan /violin/, Artsvik Demurtchyan /soprano/, Karen Kocharyan /cello/, Gevorg Dabaghyan /duduk/, Vache Sharafyan /piano/. // Chamber Music House after Komitas

**19:00. Glamourous Chobans**  
Author: Armen Vardanyan  
Director: Karo Balyan. //State Theater of Musical Comedy after H. Paronyan

**23 March****19:00. Glamourous Chobans**

Author: Armen Vardanyan  
Director: Karo Balyan. //State Theater of Musical Comedy after H. Paronyan

**19:00. Concert** Andy & Kouros: Live in Armenia. // Mika Complex

**19:00. Concert.** State Dance Ensemble of Armenia. // Aram Khachaturian Concert Hall

**19:00. Aunt from Paris**  
Cast: Narek Duryan, Zaven Abrahamyan, Ara Deghtrikyan and others. // State Puppet Theater after H. Tumanyan

**24 March**

**19:00. Tagharan - 35**  
Concert dedicated to the 35th anniversary of Tagharan Ensemble of Ancient Music  
Artistic Director and Conductor: Sedrak Yerkanyan.// Chamber Music House after Komitas.

**19:00. Marriage**  
Author: N. Gogol  
Staging: Vahan Khachatryan.// H. Malyan Theater of Film Actors

**19:00. Mama Mia**  
K. Ludwig  
Comedy in 2 acts. //Yerevan Drama Theater after H. Ghaplanyan

**19:00.Flight**

Staging: Pantomime Theater  
Director: Zhirayr Dadasyan.// Yerevan State Pantomime Theater.

**19:00. Better Late Than Never**  
Premiere

Authors: Artemi Ayvazyan  
Staged by Yervand Ghazanchyan.// State Theater of Musical Comedy after H. Paronyan

**19:00. Love Confession**  
Playwright and Director: Ara Yernjakyan  
Cast: Ani Grigoryan, Hasmik Danielyan, Rafael Yeranossyan, Senik Barseghyan, Vahe Ziroyan. // Yerevan State Chamber Theater.

**25 March**

**19:00. Love Confession**  
Playwright and Director: Ara Yernjakyan  
Cast: Ani Grigoryan, Hasmik Danielyan, Rafael Yeranossyan, Senik Barseghyan, Vahe Ziroyan // Yerevan State Chamber Theater.

**19:00. Classmates** // Russian Drama Theater after K. Stanislavski

**17:00. Alice in Wonderland**  
Staging by Lily Elbakyan. // State Marionette Theater

**15:00. Princess With a Mustache**  
A. Grigoryan  
Based on Ernst Amadeus Hoffman's "Nutmcracker".// M. Mkrtchyan Artistic Theater

**20:00. Hamlet**  
Author: William Shakespeare  
Director: Vigen Chaldryan.// Sos Sargsyan Hamazgayin Theater  
**19:00. Songs of Yearning for Ergir.** // Aram Khachaturian Concert Hall.

**19:00. N 707**  
Premiere. //Yerevan Drama Theater after H. Ghaplanyan

**16:00. Anush**  
Author: H. Tumanyan  
Director: Davit Hakobyan. // State Musical Chamber Theater

**26 March**

**19:00. Poor Petros.**  
Director: Sos Sargsyan. //Sos Sargsyan Hamazgayin Theater  
**14:00 Organ Music Concert**  
Program: Johann Sebastian Bach. // Chamber Music House after Komitas.

**19:00. The Emperor**  
Levon Shant. // M. Mkrtchyan Artistic Theater

**19:00. Hollywood... Hollywood**  
N. Simon. // Yerevan Drama Theater after H. Ghaplanyan.

**19:00. Nazar, Nazar, Till the End**  
Based on D. Demirchyan's "Brave Nazar".  
Staging director: Ara Yernjakyan.// Yerevan State Chamber Theater

**12:00, 14:00. Tom & Jerry**  
Staging: Artur Saribekyan  
Music by: Armen Margaryan.// State Musical Chamber Theater.

**12:30, 14:00 15:30.**  
Lamb of God  
Staging by Anna Elbakyan. // State Marionette Theater

**27 March**

**19:00. Show No 3**  
Author and Director of the play: Lusine Yernjakyan. // Yerevan State Chamber Theater.

**19:00. Getting Married Is Not Easy**  
Staged by Mher Mkrtchyan. // M. Mkrtchyan Artistic Theater.

**14:00. Cinderella**  
Author: Charles Perrault  
Staged by: A. Miridjanyan. // State Musical Chamber Theater

**17:00. The New Adventures of The Three Piglets**  
Directed by Samson Stepanyan  
Choreographer: Sevag Avakian.// State Musical Chamber Theater.

**12:30, 14:00 15:30.** Lamb of God  
Staging by Anna Elbakyan. // State Marionette Theater.

**13:00 New Adventures of Gingerbread Man (Kolobok)**

Based on Russian Folk Tale. //Russian Drama Theater after K. Stanislavski  
**19:00. Festive concert dedicated to the Mothers and Beauty Day.** //National Academic Theater of Opera and Ballet after A. Spendiarian

**12:00. A Tale from the Clouds**  
Author: Hovhannes Toumanyanyan  
Director: Hrachya Gasparyan.// Sos Sargsyan Hamazgayin Theater.  
**12:30. Byurakan Tonatsuyts.** // Center Zatik

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## Zodiac Weekly Forecast

### Aries (March 20-April 19)



Both the Sun and Mercury are moving into your sign this week, bringing at least one, if not two or more new beginnings at this time. For the next three weeks there will be much in the way of moving from place to place, phone calls, and communications by all every means.

### Taurus (April 20 -- May 20)



Be aware that you are in a sensitive frame of mind and may misinterpret that which is said to you. You may be the one who hears what you want to hear. So take your impressions with a grain of salt until you clarify what was originally intended.

### Gemini (May 20-June 20)



Early in the week you may be tending an old emotional or physical wound. This could be your own or that of another. Circumstances may seem to repeat themselves in not so pleasant ways. The mood or activity will change on the 21st and you will move into a much better place.

### Cancer (June 21-July 21)



You may not be feeling quite comfortable with yourself this week. It appears your mind is in conflict with your feelings. Do the best you can to deal with this issue up front, perhaps by journaling or discussing it with a friend. Keep in mind that there is not a mandate for you to settle on a decision right now.

### Leo (July 22-August 21)



At this time of year, the Sun shines upon your 9th house of travel and expansion. You are probably already making plans for your next vacation. Aspects favor opening yourself to greater territory in your life. You may be thinking of beginning a new study, a spiritual pursuit, or creating a website.

### Virgo (August 22-September 22)



Love, romance, play, pleasures and creativity will be on the menu this week. You may be seeing the positive development of a creative work begun a long time ago. Your partner or a very close friend is wounded, whether physically or emotionally and needs some of your attention.



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

Events of this week trigger your sense of compassion and draw you into the need to assist in the healing of another. As you live into this experience, you will discover that having compassion also heals you. Your spirit will be lifted. Don't avoid the call.



### Scorpio (October 23-November 21)

At last! The Sun shines and there is a breakthrough of the clouds in your life. You may become the leader in a project that will be good for many. Love life appears or perhaps it improves and you are enjoying your roles in life. This is a time in which you may realize that your struggles have been worth the effort.



### Sagittarius (November 22-December 20)

This will be a week to celebrate. You are recognized for the value you bring to the world at large. It is possible that the results bring improvements in your income. Meanwhile your reflexes are "off" right now. Watch the accelerator foot and handle sharp instruments with respect.



### Capricorn (December 21-January 19)

This spring you are given a boost of power by Jupiter. This represents the help that comes to you from behind the scenes. Legal, educational, publishing and religious interests are bent in your favor. You can make progress in these arenas at this time.



### Aquarius (January 20-February 17)

Life is tough on you right now. You do not have all the resources you need, but the Waterbearer always has a Plan B up his/her sleeve. Hold onto faith and hang tough-you will accomplish the goal with perseverance and hard work.



### Pisces (February 18-March 19)

The next couple of weeks are especially good for discussing important subjects with partners. You each are in a cooperative frame of mind and communications flow well. You can give and receive mutual help at this time and improve the overall energy in the relationship. Your senses are wide open to the energies around you. You may have psychic flashes or unusual dreams.

## Armenian Shadowmatic puzzle wins two prizes at 12<sup>th</sup> International Mobile Gaming Awards

Armenia-based Triada Studio's Shadowmatic won the Best Technical Achievement and People's Choice Award at the 12th International Mobile Gaming Awards (IMGA).

Shadowmatic is an imagination stirring puzzle where you rotate abstract objects in a spotlight to find recognizable silhouettes in projected shadows, relevant to the surrounding environment.

The project is focused on delivering immersively photorealistic graphics across iOS devices and the new Apple TV, combined with gameplay that's stimulating, challenging, and relaxing at the same time. The game features 10 rooms, each flavored with unique concept, atmosphere and music. The music



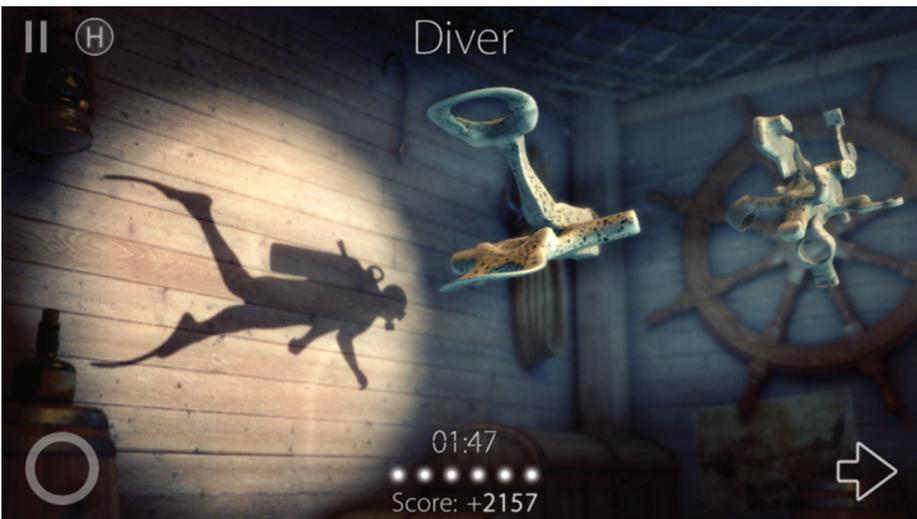
is best experienced with headphones, and is available separately on iTunes.

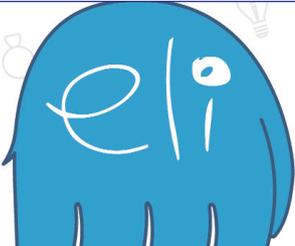
The game includes a system of hints. To enjoy the game to its fullest, however, we recommend resorting to them on rare occasions only.

The International Mobile Gaming Awards have been celebrating the best of mobile gaming for ten years.

Created during Monte Carlo's IMAGINA Festival in 2004, they have since reviewed thousands of mobile games from all around the world.

The Awards have been the first to recognize games such as Angry Birds, Infinity Blade, Edge, Candy Crush and The Walking Dead, studios such as Supercell (formerly Sumea and Digital Chocolate), and amazing technologies like augmented reality, location based games and the first mobile MMOs.





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