

# アゼルバイジャン政治・治安情報

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在アゼルバイジャン大使館

## 1. 内政関連

### ● 「国家主権の日」を祝日に制定

#### **Azerbaijan adds State Sovereignty Day to official holidays**

Azerbaijan has officially added September 20 - State Sovereignty Day to the country's list of national holidays, according to amendments to the Labor Code approved by President Ilham Aliyev. Previously observed as a working day, State Sovereignty Day will now be celebrated as a formal holiday. (TREND / 17.01.2026)

### ● 1月20日の追悼の日を迎える

#### **Azerbaijan marks January 20 tragedy**

January 20 is a day of mourning in Azerbaijan, marking the 36th anniversary of the events known as Black January. On the night of January 19–20, 1990, Soviet troops were deployed in Baku and several regions of Azerbaijan on the orders of Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to suppress the independence movement. The crackdown took place amid a deep crisis in the USSR, escalating conflict between Armenia and Azerbaijan over Nagorno-Karabakh, and growing public anger in Baku over the Soviet authorities' stance. At the time, mass protests involving tens of thousands of people were held daily in the capital. According to official figures, 150 civilians were killed, 744 people were injured, and four went missing. In 1994, prosecutors in independent Azerbaijan held several senior Soviet officials, including Gorbachev, responsible for the tragedy, though no one was ever held accountable in practice. (JAM-NEWS.NET / 20.01.2026)

## 2. 外政関連

### ● 第13回グローバル・バクー・フォーラムの日程公表

#### **Nizami Ganjavi International Center announces date of 13th Global Baku Forum**

The 13th Global Baku Forum will take place in Baku on March 12-14, 2026. The forum is expected to bring together over 400 international guests. The forum provides a unique opportunity for distinguished experts to engage in discussions on global challenges and collaborate on strategies to foster cooperation, peace, and sustainable development. (TREND / 17.01.2026)

● **アゼルバイジャンの反植民地主義団体「バクー・イニシアティブ・グループ」がインドのシク教徒への扱いを問題視**

**Azerbaijan's anti-colonialist Baku Initiative Group turns its focus on India's treatment of Sikhs**

The Azerbaijani government-linked Baku Initiative Group, focused on anti-colonialist advocacy, has now turned its aim on India with a new conference focused on the ill-treatment of Sikhs and other minorities in India. Previously, the organisation has largely dedicated its activities towards criticism of France — which is a key ally of Armenia, along with India. The conference, entitled 'Racism and Violence Against Sikhs and Other National Minorities in India: The Reality on the Ground', held in Baku on Jan.16. Abbas Abbasov, the head of the Baku Initiative Group, said the conference would be an 'opportunity for the voices of individuals who are direct victims of the Indian government's repressive, racist, and persecutory policies to be heard internationally'.

Note that the first batch of guided Pinaka rockets has been shipped to Armenia from India. India's Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and senior SDAL officials personally attended the dispatch ceremony. Armenia had earlier signed a contract for the supply of four Pinaka batteries, which also included the export of missiles. Deliveries of the launch systems began in July 2023 and were completed by November 2024. The outlet reports, citing sources, that SDAL will continue shipping the guided rockets to Armenia as they become ready. (OC-MEDIA, JAM-NEWS.NET / 19.01.2026)

● **アリエフ大統領、世界経済フォーラム年次総会に出席**

**President Aliyev attends World Economic Forum annual meeting**

On Jan. 19, President Aliyev and First Lady Mehriban Aliyeva arrived in the Swiss Confederation to participate in the annual meeting of the World Economic Forum. President Aliyev held meetings with representatives of different companies in Davos. (As a note, President Aliyev's son – Heydar Aliyev – attended many of these meetings as a representative of SOCAR as was seen from his badge).

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President Aliyev met with:

- Masrour Barzani, Prime Minister of the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. They exchanged views on the prospects for economic, trade, cultural, and humanitarian ties, and discussed matters of mutual interest.
- President of the Republic of Finland Alexander Stubb. They exchanged views on regional issues and touched upon the prospects for cooperation between Azerbaijan and the member states of the Nordic-Baltic Eight group.
- Sheikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman bin Jassim Al Thani, Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the State of Qatar.
- Jamie Dimon, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of JPMorgan
- Odile Renaud-Basso, President of the EBRD
- Larry Fink, CEO of BlackRock, and Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Global Infrastructure Partners (GIP), a company within the BlackRock group.
- Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO)
- Jacob Aarup-Andersen, Chief Executive Officer of Carlsberg Group

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In a January 20 **interview with Euronews** in Davos, President Aliyev said Azerbaijan is navigating a changing world order by prioritizing national interests, strength, and broad regional and global partnerships. He highlighted recent progress toward lasting peace with Armenia, calling the South Caucasus's transition to cooperation a historic opportunity after decades of conflict. Aliyev stressed the importance of regional stability, particularly regarding Iran, and noted that current geopolitical tensions have not destabilized global energy markets. He also underscored Azerbaijan's growing role as a key energy supplier to Europe, while dismissing criticism from the European Parliament as biased and politically motivated.

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At the World Economic Forum **panel “Defining Eurasia’s Economic Identity”** on Jan. 20, President Aliyev highlighted the historic shift from conflict to peace with Armenia after more than three decades of hostility. He said the peace agreement initialed in August 2025 marked a unique and rapid transformation, showing that strong political will from both sides can end long-lasting wars and open the door to cooperation. Aliyev described current peace and emerging economic relations as bringing benefits to both countries and the wider South Caucasus.

Aliyev stressed that both Azerbaijan and Armenia must now show tangible results of living in peace and stability so that their societies can fully support the normalization process. He emphasized optimism about the future of cooperation between them.

Armenian President Vahagn Khachaturyan, also speaking at the session, praised Aliyev's political will and underscored that peace was achieved through shared commitment. He noted growing practical cooperation, including cargo movement to Armenia, and expressed confidence in future joint economic and cultural projects.

Aliyev also remarked that transport corridors are being opened, initially through third-country territory (Georgia), and indicated that direct Armenia–Azerbaijan transit could be realized in the near future.

Overall, the session presented Azerbaijan and Armenia as moving from conflict to peaceful cooperation and regional economic integration, setting an example for the South Caucasus.

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On Jan. 20, President Aliyev attended the Azerbaijan Executive Breakfast on the sidelines of the World Economic Forum, where he met with international business leaders. He outlined Azerbaijan’s economic priorities, investment opportunities, and role as a regional hub for energy and transport, emphasizing the country’s openness to foreign investment and stable business environment. (AZERTAG / 19-20.01.2026)

### ● アリエフ大統領、2026年ザイド人類同胞愛賞を受賞

#### **President Aliyev honored with 2026 Zayed Award for Human Fraternity**

According to the official website of the Mohamed Bin Zayed Foundation for Humanity, the award was conferred upon for the Agreement on Establishment of Peace and Inter-State Relations between the Republic of Armenia and the Republic of Azerbaijan. The 2026 recipients will be honoured on Feb.4, 2026, coinciding with the UN-recognised International Day of Human Fraternity, at the annual award ceremony, to be held at the Founder’s Memorial in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. (TREND / 19.01.2026)

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On Jan.21, presidential website published the news that on Jan. 9, President Aliyev met with representatives of the Zayed Award for Human Fraternity [*Mohamed Abdelsalam, Secretary-General of the Muslim Council of Elders, and members of the judging committee of the Zayed Award for Human Fraternity – former President of the European Council Charles Michel and former Chairperson of the African Union Commission Moussa Faki Mahamat*], who announced that he will receive the 2026 award in recognition of his efforts to achieve peace between Azerbaijan and Armenia. The judging committee praised the Azerbaijan–Armenia peace model as an example for other conflict regions and highlighted Aliyev’s political will and leadership. President Aliyev accepted the invitation to the award ceremony in Abu Dhabi, reaffirmed Azerbaijan’s commitment to lasting peace, and emphasized that the agreement has already brought stability, cooperation, and practical benefits to the region. (PRESIDENT.AZ / 21.01.2026)

**NOTE:** *Armenian PM Pashinyan has also been awarded the Zayed Award for Human Fraternity by the Sheikh Zayed Foundation of the United Arab Emirates.*

### ● バイラモフ外相、ルビオ米国務長官と電話会談

#### **FM Bayramov held a phone talk with U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio**

On Jan.19, Bayramov and Rubio discussed preparation of a strategic partnership charter. The parties also reviewed the current state and development prospects of bilateral cooperation between Azerbaijan and the US, as well as the regional situation and the Azerbaijan-Armenia normalization process. Bilateral contacts and discussions on the preparation of the above charter were highly valued, and both sides expressed hope that the project would be agreed upon and signed within a short period. The conversation emphasized that the priorities to be identified in this direction will give an additional boost to the relations between the two countries.

#### *US State Department readout*

Secretary of State Marco Rubio spoke today with Azerbaijan Foreign Minister Jeyhun Bayramov. Secretary Rubio commended the Azerbaijani government's shipments of fuel to Armenia, an important gesture that demonstrates Azerbaijan's continued commitment to the historic peace deal between Armenia and Azerbaijan advanced by President Trump at the White House summit on August 8, 2025. The Secretary and Foreign Minister touched on other confidence-building measures to further advance peace and prosperity in the South Caucasus region and lauded positive developments in U.S.-Azerbaijani relations. (TREND, STATE.GOV / 19.01.2026)

#### ● **バイラムフ外相、フィダン・土外相と電話会談**

#### **FM Bayramov held a telephone conversation with Türkiye's Minister of Foreign Affairs Hakan Fidan**

On Jan.20, the two ministers reviewed cooperation between Azerbaijan and Türkiye, both on a bilateral basis and within the framework of international organizations. The sides also exchanged views on regional security issues, the situation in the Middle East, and the ongoing Azerbaijan-Armenia normalization process. (TREND / 20.01.2026)

*Note that on Jan.20, Secretary of State Marco Rubio spoke with Turkish Foreign Minister Hakan Fidan regarding their continued support for peace and stability in Syria.*

#### ● **アゼルバイジャン、トランプ米大統領の「平和理事会」参加招待を受諾**

#### **Azerbaijan accepts U.S. President's invitation to join Board of Peace**

Azerbaijan has accepted the invitation of U.S. President Donald Trump to be a Founding Member State of an international organization called the Board of Peace. According to the Azerbaijani MFA, Azerbaijan informed the U.S. side about its intention to be the Founding Member State. An official letter of confirmation regarding the country's membership in the Board of Peace will be addressed to the U.S. side, and appropriate measures will be taken within the framework of the required procedures.

The Board of Peace is a proposed U.S.-led organization established by Donald Trump that is nominally purposed to "promote stability, restore dependable and lawful governance, and secure enduring peace in areas affected or threatened by conflict". The Board was proposed

by U.S. President Donald Trump in September 2025, and its establishment was announced by Trump on January 15, 2026. (TREND / 21.01.2026)

● **米ストラトフォー、アゼルバイジャン・アルメニア和平に関する予測を発表**  
**Azerbaijan, Armenia, and a cautious peace Experts assess Stratfor's forecasts**

According to a forecast by Stratfor (the U.S.-based intelligence and analytical company Strategic Forecasting Inc.), Armenia and Azerbaijan will take moderate steps to implement the provisions of the 2025 framework peace agreement, which will reduce the risk of a new war between them. The centre assesses that the regulation of trade between the two countries is likely to advance cautiously: both sides will seek to build trust through limited trade interactions rather than through comprehensive economic integration.

In domestic politics, Armenian PM Pashinyan will face growing public discontent, largely driven by perceived concessions to Azerbaijan and strained relations with the Armenian Church. Pashinyan is likely to postpone a referendum on constitutional amendments until the June elections. If he is not re-elected, the fate of the peace agreement project will become uncertain. However, if he retains power after the vote, he will likely prioritise the implementation of the "Trump Route," which is a central element of the joint declaration signed with the United States and Azerbaijan.

Baku, for its part, will complete construction of its section of the Araz Corridor running through Iran in parallel with TRIPP, while simultaneously retaining TRIPP as both leverage and an alternative route—one that excludes Armenia from regional integration should it refuse to cooperate.

Russia will attempt to challenge the development of TRIPP; however, the weakening of its position in the region will limit its ability to significantly hinder the pivot of both Yerevan and Baku toward the West, the forecast study notes. (AQREQATOR.AZ / 08.01.2026)

● **アリエフ大統領、世界経済フォーラム年次総会に出席②**  
**President Aliyev attends World Economic Forum annual meeting**

On Jan,21, President Aliyev held meetings with:

- Marta Kos, European Commissioner for Enlargement. The meeting included an exchange of views on the normalization of relations between Azerbaijan and Armenia and the advancement of the peace agenda. At the same time, cooperation in the areas of energy, regional transport connectivity, humanitarian demining, and other fields was discussed, with particular attention given to Azerbaijan's contribution to Europe's energy security. Marta Kos noted that the EU stands ready to support Azerbaijan's efforts in the field of humanitarian demining, as well as projects related to the restoration of the Nakhchivan railway line.
- President of the State of Israel Isaac Herzog. The successful development of Azerbaijan-Israel relations across various fields was emphasized. They noted that

there are excellent opportunities to expand cooperation in the economic, trade, energy, and other sectors.

- Prime Minister of the Czech Republic Andrej Babiš. They exchanged views on the prospects of their relations, future contacts, and other issues of mutual interest. Babiš invited Aliyev to an official visit to the Czech Republic. In response, Aliyev invited the Prime Minister of the Czech Republic to pay an official visit to Azerbaijan.
- Connor Teskey, President of Brookfield Asset Management
- Adrian McDonald, President for Europe, Middle East, and Africa (EMEA) of Dell Technologies.
- Russell Hardy, Chief Executive Officer of Vitol.

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As part of the World Economic Forum, President of the United States Donald Trump delivered a special address in Davos on Jan. 21. This was followed by a panel session held with the participation of Donald Trump. President Aliyev and his daughter Leyla Aliyeva participated in the event. (AZERTAG / 21.01.2026)

### ● アリエフ大統領の息子がダボス会議に出席、公的な役職はなし

#### **Despite holding no official position, Aliyev's son attends Davos meetings**

President Aliyev's 28-year-old son Heydar Aliyev Jr. has tagged along for meetings at the Davos World Economic Forum in Switzerland, despite having no official position in the government. Aliyev Jr. was present in several photos shared by the Azerbaijani Presidential Administration, which did not explicitly mention his attendance or why he was there. A zoomed in photo of the nametag worn by Aliyev Jr. simply read 'SOCAR (State Oil Company of the Azerbaijan Republic) Azerbaijan', followed by the subheading 'annual meeting'. Aliyev Jr.'s position in the company was not specified. He was present in several meetings at the forum, including with the Danish wind turbine company Vestas Wind Systems, the Brazilian financial company BTG Pactual, and the Emirati logistics firm DP World.

In recent years, there have been unverified reports that Aliyev Jr. holds an unnamed position within Azerbaijan's Economy Ministry, but there has yet to be official confirmation.

Although Ilham Aliyev is only 64, making him a fresh face compared to many other world leaders, he is entering his 23rd year as president, and there has been speculation that he has begun to prepare for the eventual handover of power to one of his children — likely Aliyev Jr. (OC-MEDIA / 21.01.2026)

### ● アゼルバイジャンと米国、戦略的パートナーシップ憲章に関する戦略作業部会の第2回会合を開催

#### **Azerbaijan, U.S. hold second meeting of Strategic Working Group on Strategic Partnership Charter**

On Jan.21, the second online meeting of the Strategic Working Group, led by Deputy Foreign Minister Elnur Mammadov and Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Sonata Coulter, to develop the Charter on Strategic Partnership between Azerbaijan and the US was held. The sides exchanged views on the development of a strategic partnership between the two countries in areas such as energy, trade, regional connections, including transit, economic investment, defense and security, counter-terrorism, as well as artificial intelligence and digital infrastructure, based on the MoU to develop the Charter on Strategic Partnership, signed between Azerbaijan and the United States within the framework of the Washington Peace Summit in August last year. Discussions continued on the text of the document with the aim of finalizing the Charter on Strategic Partnership. (AZERTAG / 21.01.2026)

● **アリエフ大統領、ダボスで「平和理事会憲章」の調印式に出席**

**President Aliyev attended signing ceremony of Board of Peace Charter in Davos**

On Jan. 22, a signing ceremony for the Board of Peace Charter was held in Davos. President Aliyev attended the event. Subsequently, Aliyev, together with other participating heads of state and government including Armenian PM Pashinyan, signed the Board of Peace Charter. During the ceremony, Donald Trump said that the leaders of Armenia and Azerbaijan had become his friends. He again listed conflicts he said he had resolved, including the Armenia–Azerbaijan conflict. (AZERTAG / 22.01.02026)

**NOTE:** *The “Board of Peace” Charter was signed by the leaders of these countries: Bahrain, Morocco, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bulgaria, Egypt, Hungary, Indonesia, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Mongolia, Pakistan, Paraguay, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, UAE, Uzbekistan. The list, however, does not include major Western allies of the US, and the actual number of participants is smaller than the US had assumed.*

*The proposed charter, that would oversee the next phase of Trump’s peace plan for the Gaza Strip for the board, makes no direct mention of Gaza and proposes a broad mandate for a new international organization that “seeks to promote stability, restore dependable and lawful governance, and secure enduring peace in areas affected or threatened by conflict.”*

● **アゼルバイジャンはガザ評議会に 10 億ドルを支払うのか**

**Will Azerbaijan pay 1 billion dollars to the Gaza Council?**

After the information was disseminated that Azerbaijan has been invited as a founding member to the Peace Council, claims emerged on social media resources that Azerbaijan would pay 1 billion dollars to become a member of the Peace Council. However, this claim does not reflect reality. The 1 billion dollar payment is not intended for all countries that are members of the Council. This amount has been determined only for countries wishing to obtain permanent membership status in the Council. However, for members in the three-year participation format, there is no requirement for such a high financial payment. These

countries can participate in the Council's activities, play a role in the formation of decisions, and contribute to humanitarian processes. (MODERN.AZ / 21.01.2026)

### ● アリエフ大統領とパシニャン・アルメニア首相、ダボスで「立ち話」

#### **Armenia, Azerbaijan leaders meet 'standing' in Davos**

Armenian Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan and Azerbaijani President Ilham Aliyev had a brief talk in Davos, Switzerland. The respective photo was posted on the Armenian government's Facebook page. (NEWS.AM / 22.01.2026)

### ● アリエフ大統領、ダボスでトランプ米大統領と会談

#### **President Aliyev held meeting with U.S. President Donald Trump in Davos**

During the meeting in Davos on Jan.22, the leaders welcomed the development of bilateral relations across various fields following President Donald Trump's return to office. The sides highlighted Trump's historic role in facilitating agreements aimed at advancing the peace agenda between Azerbaijan and Armenia, reached in Washington on August 8 last year.

President Aliyev spoke about the steps taken toward the normalization of relations between Azerbaijan and Armenia. Emphasizing that peace has already been established in the region, the President noted that this is reflected, among other things, in the development of trade relations between the two countries. In this regard, he pointed to the export of Azerbaijani oil products to Armenia, as well as the transit of imported grain to Armenia through Azerbaijani territory.

The head of state also underscored the importance of the Zangezur Corridor, including the TRIPP project, in enhancing regional connectivity.

During the discussion, the significance of the Board of Peace established under the chairmanship of the U.S. President was also noted. The role of this body in strengthening peace in the Middle East and contributing to the resolution of global conflicts was emphasized. Azerbaijan's invitation to join the Board of Peace as a founding member state was described as a clear reflection of the Azerbaijan–U.S. strategic partnership and Azerbaijan's contribution to promoting peace on a global scale.

The Presidents also exchanged views on the future prospects of bilateral relations, stressing the importance of reciprocal visits and contacts at various levels in further deepening cooperation. (AZERTAG / 22.01.02026)

### ● アゼルバイジャンと NATO、協力について協議

#### **Azerbaijan, NATO discuss cooperation**

On Jan. 22, FM Bayramov met with Radmila Shekerinska, NATO Deputy Secretary General. The meeting focused on the current agenda and prospects for cooperation within the partnership between Azerbaijan and NATO, the work carried out within partnership

mechanisms, as well as regional and international security issues. Opportunities for cooperation in areas such as mine action, cybersecurity, and other fields were also discussed. (AZERTAG / 22.01.02026)

● アミルバヨフ大統領特別代表、NATO 事務次長とバクー・エレバン和平プロセスに関し協議

**Presidential Aid discusses Baku-Yerevan peace process with NATO deputy secretary general**

The Special Representative of the President of Azerbaijan, Elchin Amirbayov, met with NATO Deputy Secretary General Radmila Shekerinska. The two sides had an extensive discussion on matters such as, the current state of mutually beneficial Azerbaijan-NATO partnership and its future prospects, Azerbaijan's contributions as an active and reliable partner to the NATO-led Peace Support Operations and to the EnergySecurity of Europe, cooperation in the field of humanitarian demining, as well as other issues related to the regional security and the Azerbaijan-Armenia peace agenda. (REPORT / 22.01.2026)

**NOTE:** *Speaker of the Parliament also met with Radmila Shekerinska, NATO Deputy Secretary General.*

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