

# 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. 軍事・治安関係

### ● アリエフ大統領、ナシルザデ・イラン国防・軍需物資相を迎える

**President Aliyev received Iranian delegation led by Minister of Defence and Armed Forces Logistics Aziz Nasirzadeh**

On Feb.06, the head of state emphasized that wars and conflicts continue in many parts of the world today, but thanks to Azerbaijan's initiative, peace has already been established in the South Caucasus. He expressed confidence that this holds great importance for Iran, which borders both Azerbaijan and Armenia. As he mentioned in his phone call with the Iranian President, the head of state noted that Azerbaijan is concerned about the current situation in the region and stands ready to provide its support to de-escalate the tensions. Expressing gratitude for the reception, Aziz Nasirzadeh said he had come on the instructions of Iran's head of state and highlighted that President Masoud Pezeshkian holds great affection for Azerbaijan. They noted the development of bilateral relations based on principles of friendship, brotherhood, and good-neighborliness between the two countries, and exchanged views on prospects for defense cooperation. (AZERTAG / 06.02.2026)

**NOTE:** Azerbaijan and other countries in the region have made serious efforts to resume negotiations between Tehran and Washington on the nuclear program, according to Azerbaijani media quoting Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi. "If previously Europeans were involved in the negotiations, this time regional countries have joined in. They intend to help, and we respect their good intentions," the minister said, local media reported, citing Iran's Tasnim News Agency.

### ● ハサノフ国防相、ナシルザデ・イラン国防・軍需物資相を迎える

**Minister of Defense Zakir Hasanov met Iranian delegation led by Minister of Defence and Armed Forces Logistics Aziz Nasirzadeh**

On Feb.06, the current state and prospects for the development of relations in the military, military-technical, military education, and science fields were discussed. The sides also held a wide exchange of views on regional security and a number of other issues of mutual interest.

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● **アゼルバイジャン代表団、サウジアラビアで開催中の世界防衛展示会に参加**  
**Azerbaijani delegation attends World Defense Show**

Senior leadership of the Ministry of Defense participated in the World Defense Show 2026 global defense industry exhibition in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. At the exhibition, products of “Azersilah” Defence Industry Holding CJSC under the Ministry of Defence Industry and other private companies in Azerbaijan were showcased at the company booth.

During the visit, Minister of Defense, Colonel General Zakir Hasanov met with his colleague from Saudi Arabia, Khalid bin Salman bin Abdulaziz and several company executives. The meetings focused on exchanging views on issues of common interest in military-technical cooperation.

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Minister of Defense Industry Vugar Mustafayev, who is participating in the World Defense Show 2026 international exhibition held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, held a series of meetings on Feb. 9. The minister met with Deputy Chairman of the Turkish Defense Industry Committee Gökhan Uçar, Director General of the Sudanese Defense Industry System Mirghani Idris Suleiman, as well as with the heads of ST Engineering (Singapore), Colt CZ (Czech Republic), ALIT and CETC (China), BAYKAR, TUSAŞ and HAVELSAN (Türkiye), and Trillium (U.S.). Throughout the meetings, the parties exchanged views on existing cooperation in the defense industry, further exploration of international experience, global trends, the application of modern innovative technologies, and the development of industrial capabilities. (MOD.GOV.AZ / 09.02.2026)

● **アゼルバイジャン、国連サイバー犯罪条約を批准した初の国となる**  
**Azerbaijan becomes first country to ratify UN Convention against Cybercrime**

Azerbaijan’s Parliament has approved President Aliyev’s bill ratifying the UN Convention against Cybercrime, making Azerbaijan the first country to complete the ratification process. Adopted by the UN General Assembly in December 2024 and signed by 74 countries in October 2025, the Convention is the first legally binding global framework to combat cybercrime. Azerbaijan played an active role in drafting the document and is the only country to have signed it with reservations. The ratification strengthens Azerbaijan’s legal and law enforcement capabilities, enhances international cooperation on electronic evidence and transnational investigations, and supports faster, more effective responses to cybercrime worldwide. (REPORT / 10.02.2026)

**2. 内政関連**

● **新たなナヒチバン市行政庁を任命**

**New appointments in Nakhchivan**

On Feb.09, President Aliyev signed an order on dismissing Jabbar Musayev, the head of the Nakhchivan City Executive Authority of the Nakhchivan Autonomous Republic.

Jabbar Musayev has been appointed as the new Prime Minister of Azerbaijan's Nakhchivan Autonomous Republic, following the region's Supreme Assembly decision. (TREND / 09.02.2026)

● **アゼルバイジャン裁判所、人民戦線党党首の勾留を延長**

**Azerbaijani court extends detention of Popular Front Party chairman**

Azerbaijani authorities have extended the detention of Ali Karimli, Chairman of the Popular Front Party of Azerbaijan (PFPA). Karimli, who has been held by the State Security Service (DTX), appeared before the Sabail District Court, which approved prolonging his preventive detention for an additional period of four months. He faces charges under Article 278.1 of the Criminal Code, which concerns actions aimed at forcibly seizing power or attempting to alter the constitutional order. (TREND / 09.02.2026)

● **アゼルバイジャン裁判所、ラミズ・メフディエフの自宅軟禁を支持**

**Azerbaijani court upholds house arrest for Ramiz Mehdiyev**

The preventive measure of house arrest imposed on former head of the Presidential Administration Ramiz Mehdiyev has been extended. The Sabail District Court granted the motion and extended the term of house arrest imposed on Mehdiyev for an additional four months. Ramiz Mehdiyev is accused for actions aimed at seizing state power. (TREND / 10.02.2026)

● **国民評議会の議員であったハジバイリ氏、トルコからアゼルバイジャンへ強制送還**

**Member of National Council Gultakin Hajibayli deported from Türkiye to Azerbaijan**

The deportation of Gultakin Hajibayli took place during the night hours. G. Hajibeyli has not yet been involved in the investigation, and no preventive measure has been imposed on her. Recall that the media reported that Gultakin Hajibayli and another member of the National Council, Ali Karimli, the chairman of the Azerbaijani Popular Front Party (APFP), were involved in a coup attempt plan by the former head of the Presidential Administration, Ramiz Mehdiyev. (APA / 12.02.2026)

● **国家保安庁、ラミズ・メフディエフ、アッバス・アッバソフ、アリ・カリムリらを監視下に置く**

## **Azerbaijani Security Service airs on Ramiz Mehdiyev, Abbas Abbasov, Ali Karimli and others**

As a result of the comprehensive measures taken by the State Security Service to prevent the provocative-disruptive activities of foreign special service agencies against the security, national interests, and benefits of Azerbaijan, concerns have emerged regarding the actions of certain individuals from the Republic of Azerbaijan, including Ramiz Mehdiyev, Abbas Abbasov, and Ali Karimli, who are suspected of engaging in activities intended to unlawfully seize state power and alter the constitutional framework by force.

According to the indictment filed against the accused in the criminal case, as the co-founders and leaders of the organization, which was created by special service agencies of the foreign country to interfere with political processes in Azerbaijan and registered in a foreign country on July 4, 2012 under the name "Union of Russian Azerbaijani Organizations" and called "Union of Billionaires," Abbas Abbasov and Rustan Ibrahimbeyov, as well as Ramiz Mehdiyev, chairman of the Azerbaijan Popular Front Party (APFP) Ali Karimli, and party members - Fuad Gahramanli, Ganimat Zahidov, and others, conspired to forcibly seize state power and forcibly change the current constitutional state structure.

Thus, after they creation of an organization called the "National Council of Democratic Forces" (National Council), which nominated Rustam Ibrahimbeyov, a foreign national, as a candidate for the Presidential elections of the Republic of Azerbaijan in 2013, they acted with the financial assistance and other forms of organizational support of foreign special service agencies to commit mass riots, disobey lawful demands of government representatives, disrupt public order, transport, enterprises, departments and organizations in order to forcibly seize state power, and also directed the funds in the amount of 933.828,40 manats they received through APFP member Ibrahim Mammad and others, as well as directed funds received from Ramiz Mehdiyev and Abbas Abbasov to attract people from various regions of the republic to commit the aforementioned acts.

According to the technical evidence attached to the materials of the criminal case, members of the organization called the "Billionaires' Union" were instructed to send Azerbaijani nationals, who were working under their subordination or otherwise under their patronage in a foreign country during the 2013 presidential elections, to Azerbaijan to summon their relatives and close friends in Azerbaijan to ensure that they were used in rallies and mass riots in accordance with the instructions of the foreign special service agencies.

It was revealed that as a result of prior negotiations in accordance with the request of the authorized persons of the relevant foreign state, in a secret letter addressed by the "National Council" to the leadership of this foreign state in 2013, there was a request to support the activities of the "council" and a proposal to put pressure on the Azerbaijani state to implement

the “reforms” carried out in that country in Azerbaijan as well.

According to the aforementioned accusation, Ganimat Zahidov, since the beginning of 2013, has been secretly communicating and negotiating with representatives of foreign special service agencies on behalf of Ali Karimli, appealing for the use of the broad organizational and special capabilities of foreign special service agencies in bringing him to power in the Republic of Azerbaijan, promising in return, listing specific details, that the strategic interests of the foreign state in Azerbaijan will be ensured, and the parties also agreed that if Ali Karimli comes to power, the Republic of Azerbaijan will gradually become a full member of the Collective Security Treaty Organization.

At the same time, according to the indictment, Ali Karimli, continuing his criminal acts in accordance with the general agreement reached in advance with the aforementioned individuals, during the Azerbaijani citizens’ march in Baku on the night of July 14-15, 2020, in support of the army and against the aggressive war waged by Armenia in the Karabakh region of Azerbaijan, instructed Fuad Gahramanli and others to form with party representatives small groups and join the marchers and then create a chaotic situation by replacing patriotic slogans with provocative calls, and thus taking advantage of this situation and controlling the crowd, seize the administrative buildings of the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the "Azerbaijan Television and Radio Broadcasting" CJSC, including announcing the seizure of power through the mass media.

In addition, Ramiz Mehdiyev submitted written material prepared in August-September 2025, in a foreign language under the title “Proposals on the Restructuring of the State Administration System,” which contained secret plans and directions of action against the state power, to Ali Karimli on September 27, 2025 through his assistant Eldar Amirov and others, in order to jointly agree on the issues stipulated in that document. On October 3, 2025, he sent the final edited copy of the article through employees of the “Sharg-Garb” OJSC, which he actually owned, to the senior officials of the special service agencies of the foreign state with whom he had previously personally contacted, and this transaction was technically registered.

By these actions, Ramiz Mehdiyev took actions aimed at seizing state power with the help of foreign special service agencies and forcibly changing the constitutional structure and committed treason by assisting representatives of a foreign state contrary to the interests of the state security of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

In addition, Ramiz Mehdiyev legalized more than 17,000,000 manats of criminally obtained funds until October 13, 2025.

For their participation in the listed criminal acts, Abbas Abbasov, Ali Karimli, Fuad Gahramanli,

Ibrahim Mammad and Ganimat Zahidov have been held responsible as accused persons under Articles 278.1 (actions aimed at the forcible seizure or forcible retention of power, as well as forcible change of the constitutional structure of the state), Eldar Amirov 32.5 and 278.1 (assistance to actions aimed at the forcible seizure or forcible retention of power, as well as forcible change of the constitutional structure of the state), and Ramiz Mehdiyev 193-1.3.2 (legalization of a large amount of property obtained through crime), 274 (treason), and 278.1 of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

Abbas Abbasov, Fuad Gahramanli, and Ganimat Zahidov were declared wanted, and the court chose a preventive measure of arrest in absentia because they are currently outside of the territory of the Republic of Azerbaijan, hiding from the investigation. (TREND / 12.02.2026)

*NOTE: While Azerbaijani authorities have publicly released material they allege shows Fuad Gahramanli receiving money and have charged him accordingly, Gahramanli himself denies these charges and rejects the government's characterization of the case as legitimate, framing it instead as politically driven.*

### 3. 外政関連

#### ● ヒューマン・ライツ・ウォッチ、アゼルバイジャンに関する報告書を公表 Human Rights Watch report on Azerbaijan

Azerbaijan's poor human rights record continued to deteriorate as the government intensified its crackdown on independent media, political opponents, and civil society, silencing dissent, and further entrenching a climate of fear, according to the Azerbaijan section of World Report 2026 by Human Rights Watch. "Authorities also brought spurious criminal charges against exiled bloggers and journalists, convicting them in absentia, and continued to adopt and arbitrarily enforce laws paralyzing civil society. Torture and ill-treatment in custody persisted with impunity," the report adds. "In continued contempt for international scrutiny, Azerbaijan suspended operations or expelled United Nations-affiliated organizations, including the UN Development Program (UNDP), the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). Authorities also revoked accreditation for the remaining international media outlets," the report notes. "Despite its stated commitments, Azerbaijan has taken no meaningful steps to ensure the right to return in safety and dignity for ethnic Armenians who fled Nagorno-Karabakh in September 2023, or to restore their property rights," states the Human Rights Watch report. (HRW.ORG / 05.02.2026)

#### ● 露大使、外務省へ召喚される

## **Russian Ambassador summoned to Azerbaijan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs**

On Feb. 6, Mikhail Yevdokimov, Ambassador of Russia to Azerbaijan, was invited to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Azerbaijani side expressed a strong protest over a statement made on Feb. 5 by Konstantin Zatulin, First Deputy Chairman of the State Duma Committee on Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), Eurasian Integration and Relations with Compatriots, and a member of the ruling United Russia Party, regarding the sentencing of citizens of Armenia in Azerbaijan. The MFA strongly condemned Zatulin's statements against Azerbaijan's sovereignty and territorial integrity, his open support for separatism, as well as his attempts to distort court decisions concerning the Armenian citizens convicted of crimes against peace and humanity, as well as war crimes committed as a result of Armenia's military aggression against Azerbaijan, along with his use of inappropriate language. The Russian side was urged to take appropriate measures to put an end to the destructive activities of individuals like Zatulin, whose actions undermine peace and stability in the region and damage relations between Azerbaijan and Russia. (AZERTAG / 06.02.2026)

### **● バイラモフ外相、ダル・パキスタン副首相兼外相と電話会談**

**FM Bayramov held a telephone conversation with Pakistan's Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar**

On Feb.07, FM Bayramov condemned the terrorist attack at a mosque in Islamabad and expressed his deepest condolences to the families of the victims, the government and people of Pakistan. The conversation also covered various aspects of partnership relations between Azerbaijan and Pakistan, issues arising from the agreements reached between the two countries, as well as the regional security matters. (AZERTAG / 07.02.2026)

### **● バイラモフ外相、フィダン・トルコ外相と電話会談**

**FM Bayramov held a telephone conversation with Turkish counterpart Hakan Fidan**

On Feb.08, the ministers discussed cooperation as part of the bilateral allied relations between Azerbaijan and Turkiye, joint efforts within international organizations and multilateral platforms, and the regional security situation. Additionally, the sides exchanged views on the situation in the Middle East, the Azerbaijan-Armenia reconciliation process, and other matters of mutual interest. (AZERTAG / 08.02.2026)

### **● ロシア外務次官、「トランプ・ルート」に関するロシアの立場を表明**

**Russian Deputy FM comments on Russia's position on the "Trump Route"**

Moscow is considering the possibility of dialogue with Yerevan regarding the parameters of its participation in the TRIPP project, said Mikhail Galuzin, Deputy Foreign Minister of Russia, in an interview with Izvestia. The diplomat noted that the Russian side maintains its position

on this initiative, but that the details of the Armenia–U.S. project still need to be carefully studied. “Russian railways are used in the region. Our border guards are stationed on the Iran–Armenia border. Armenia’s membership in the Eurasian Economic Union must also be taken into account. Under these conditions, it is clear that partners cannot resolve this matter without Russia,” Galuzin emphasized. Galuzin also stressed that Russia is ready for consultations with its partners in Yerevan and plans to discuss concrete forms of Moscow’s participation in the implementation of this transport corridor. (APA / 10.02.2026)

## ● J・D・ヴァンス米副大統領がアゼルバイジャンを訪問

### **U.S. Vice President JD Vance visits Azerbaijan**

On Feb.10, President Aliyev held a limited-format meeting with JD Vance focused on strengthening bilateral relations and regional developments, which followed by an expanded meeting with participation of delegations.

Aliyev praised the recent progress in U.S.–Azerbaijan ties, highlighting two meetings with President Trump and Vance’s visit as signs of growing partnership. He noted that relations had significantly improved over the past six months and that the two countries were set to formally elevate their cooperation through a Strategic Partnership Agreement.

Vice President Vance thanked Aliyev for hosting the U.S. delegation and conveyed President Trump’s appreciation for Azerbaijan’s partnership. He referenced recent peace efforts between Azerbaijan and Armenia and said the current U.S. administration had corrected previous policy mistakes toward Azerbaijan. Vance expressed optimism about signing the Strategic Partnership Agreement and emphasized continued collaboration and friendship between the two governments.

The U.S. Vice President emphasized President Aliyev’s leadership in advancing the peace agenda. The head of state hailed the special role of U.S. President Donald Trump in achieving peace between Azerbaijan and Armenia.

JD Vance also highlighted the tolerant environment prevailing in Azerbaijan, noting that representatives of different religions live in peace and friendship in the country as one family. During the conversation, the sides exchanged views on the development of the TRIPP transport corridor. They also discussed cooperation between Azerbaijan and the United States in politics, the economy, trade, high technologies, artificial intelligence, the establishment of data centers, and other areas, as well as issues of mutual interest.

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The signing ceremony of the “Charter on Strategic Partnership between the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the Government of the United States of America” was held. The document was signed by President Aliyev and the US Vice President JD Vance. The Charter outlines expanded collaboration in four key areas:

- *Regional connectivity and energy:* Joint efforts to develop the Middle Corridor and the TRIPP project, strengthen transport, trade, transit, energy (including oil, gas, electricity, and civil nuclear), and facilitate critical minerals transit.
- *Economic investment and technology:* Increased trade and investment, improved business climate, cooperation in AI, digital infrastructure, cybersecurity, space industry, innovation platforms, and development of AI data centers.
- *Security cooperation:* Expanded defense ties, counterterrorism collaboration, cybersecurity and critical infrastructure protection, and humanitarian demining support.
- *Implementation framework:* Creation of working groups on priority areas, development of project roadmaps within three months, and regular annual meetings to advance the partnership.

Overall, the Charter formalizes a higher level of strategic cooperation across economic, technological, energy, and security sectors.

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*Statement by President Aliyev:*

President Ilham Aliyev welcomed U.S. Vice President JD Vance to Azerbaijan, calling the visit historic and marking a new phase in U.S.–Azerbaijan relations. He thanked the Trump-Vance administration for its strong support and for facilitating peace between Armenia and Azerbaijan, noting that the two countries initialed a peace agreement at the White House and have since begun living in peace, expanding transit and trade cooperation.

Aliyev highlighted the signing of the Charter on Strategic Partnership as the result of six months of work, elevating bilateral ties. Key areas of cooperation include regional connectivity through the TRIPP corridor, energy security, defense sales, counterterrorism, and development of AI data centers. He emphasized Azerbaijan’s role in supplying energy to multiple countries, including NATO members, and expressed optimism about deeper collaboration across security, energy, technology, and infrastructure sectors.

*Statement by Vice President JD Vance*

Vice President JD Vance conveyed greetings from the U.S. President and described Azerbaijan as an important but often underappreciated partner. He praised Azerbaijan’s support in Afghanistan and the global fight against terrorism, noting Azerbaijani troops served alongside U.S. forces.

Vance said the visit marked a new chapter in bilateral relations, highlighted expanded cooperation including maritime security assistance and support for the Trump Route for International Peace and Prosperity (TRIPP), and emphasized economic, energy, and critical minerals collaboration. He credited President Aliyev, Armenia’s Prime Minister, and the U.S. President for achieving a historic peace agreement between Armenia and Azerbaijan, stressing that trade and cooperation can help sustain peace.

He noted the signing of the Strategic Partnership Charter formalizes long-term cooperation aimed at promoting regional stability, economic growth, and stronger U.S.–Azerbaijan ties, and concluded by expressing personal appreciation for the visit and friendship between the two nations. He concluded by saying “that the second lady [Usha Vance] and I are very pleased to be having dinner later today. And I, as I understand it, the vice president of Azerbaijan [Mehriban Aliyeva] is also the president’s wife”. “Hopefully that doesn’t give the second lady any ideas”, Vance added in jest. (AZERTAG / 10.02.2026)

● **ヴァンス米副大統領、アゼルバイジャンでアルメニア人囚人の釈放について協議**  
**JD Vance discusses – in Azerbaijan – release of Armenian prisoners in Baku**

President Aliyev and Vice President Vance discussed the next steps in US President Donald Trump’s initiative to establish peace in Armenia and Azerbaijan. They focused on trade and prosperity, technology and diplomatic ties, and also talked about next steps, including signing agreements and licenses for the Trump Route for International Peace and Prosperity (TRIPP) project, as well as confidence-building measures such as release of prisoners, American investments, and regional economic integration, the US Vice President’s spokesperson said. The American side, however, did not elaborate on what the Azerbaijani side’s response was and whether there were any agreements on this matter. JD Vance had promised to raise the issue of Armenian captives in Baku before his flight there from Yerevan. The Armenian captives in Baku were recently sentenced to long terms of imprisonment, in some cases, to life imprisonment. (NEWS.AM / 11.02.2026)

● **ヴァンス米副大統領、アゼルバイジャン訪問を「素晴らしい」と評価**  
**U.S. Vice President calls his visit to Azerbaijan magnificent**

“I am very pleased to have visited Azerbaijan,” said U.S. Vice President James David Vance in a comment to journalists at the airport after completing his visit to Azerbaijan. He noted that he discussed a number of important issues with the President of Azerbaijan. Vance emphasized that thanks to the leadership of U.S. President Donald Trump, there will be peace and stability in the South Caucasus instead of war, and trade will be conducted. The U.S. Vice President described his visit to Azerbaijan as magnificent and thanked Aliyev for it. Calling the President of Azerbaijan a respected world leader, Vance stressed that he discussed regional and global issues, as well as the fight against terrorism, with the head of state. “So, it was an excellent visit,” Vance added. (APA / 11.02.2026)

● **南コーカサスへのヴァンス米副大統領の訪問に対するクレムリン反応**  
**Kremlin’s reaction on the visit of JD Vance to the South Caucasus**

The countries of the South Caucasus are sovereign states with the right to build their relations with other countries, said Dmitry Peskov, the press secretary of the Russian president. “They

are sovereign states, and they have the sovereign right to build their relations with different states. At the same time, we have a huge complex of bilateral relations with both Baku and Yerevan, which cover all possible domains,” the Kremlin spokesperson told reporters. (RIA NOVOSTI / 11.02.2026)

● **バクーとアブダビ、姉妹都市提携に関する覚書に署名**

**Baku, Abu Dhabi sign MoU on twinning relations**

Azerbaijan and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) signed the MoU on establishing twinning relations between the cities of Baku and Abu Dhabi. The document was signed during a meeting of a delegation from the United Arab Emirates (UAE), led by the Chairman of the Department of Municipalities and Transport of Abu Dhabi, Mohamed Ali Al Shorafa with Head of the Baku City Executive Authority Eldar Azizov on February 11. (TREND / 11.02.2026)

● **駐露アゼルバイジャン大使、ガルージン露外務次官と会談**

**Azerbaijani ambassador meets with Russian Deputy FM**

Azerbaijani Ambassador to Russia Rahman Mustafayev met with Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Mikhail Galuzin. It was reported that a number of topical issues on the bilateral agenda were discussed during the meeting. The parties reaffirmed their commitment to further developing relations in accordance with the Declaration on Allied Cooperation between the Russian Federation and the Republic of Azerbaijan, signed in Moscow on February 22, 2022. The schedules of upcoming political contacts were reviewed and a number of regional and international issues were discussed. (APA / 12.02.2026)

● **モスクワとエレバン、アルメニアとアゼルバイジャンを結ぶ鉄道の復旧について協議を開始**

**Moscow and Yerevan to begin talks on restoring railway line linking Armenia with Azerbaijan**

Moscow and Yerevan will begin negotiations on restoring railway lines that provide Armenia with access to the borders of Türkiye and Azerbaijan, said Russian Deputy Prime Minister Alexey Overchuk. According to him, this will ensure the Russian Federation’s access to ports in the Mediterranean Sea, the Gulf, and the Indian Ocean. Overchuk noted that Moscow and Yerevan will assess the technical and financial conditions for restoring the railway section connecting Armenia with Türkiye and Azerbaijan. (APA / 12.02.2026)

● **アゼルバイジャン市民社会メンバー、二国間円卓会議参加のため画定済み陸路国境経由でアルメニアに入国**

**Azerbaijan civil society members arrive in Armenia via delimited, demarcated land border**

On 13–14 February, a bilateral roundtable will be held in Armenia within the framework of the “Peace Bridge” initiative, bringing together representatives of the civil societies of Armenia and Azerbaijan. In addition to the core participants of the "Peace Bridge" initiative, this roundtable will involve a broader group of participants from both sides. The Azerbaijani delegation arrived in Armenia via the land border at a delimited and demarcated section, having completed all relevant procedures. (NEWS.AM / 13.02.2026)

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