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在アゼルバイジャン大使館

1. 軍事・治安関係

● UAE 代表団がアゼルバイジャンを訪問
UAE delegation visits Azerbaijan

On Oct.16, a UAE delegation led by Presidential Guard Commander Major General Ali Saif Al Kaabi arrived in Azerbaijan to participate in the “Falcons Meet–2026” joint tactical flight exercise. The delegation visited the Azerbaijani Air Force’s Air Combat Command and Special Forces Command, inspected aircraft and military equipment, and discussed expanding cooperation between the two countries’ special forces.
The exercise opened on Oct. 12 and involves Azerbaijani and UAE military personnel, aircraft and air-defence systems. (MOD.GOV.AZ / 16.10.2026)

● アゼルバイジャン、NATO と軍事教育協力を協議
Azerbaijan, NATO discuss cooperation in military education

On Oct.16, Azerbaijani First Deputy Defense Minister and Chief of the General Staff Colonel General Karim Valiyev met with a NATO delegation in Baku during the 3rd Partner Capacity Coherence Initiative–2026 workshop and Self-Evaluation Level 1 (SEL 1) exercise. The sides discussed strengthening Azerbaijan–NATO cooperation, particularly in military education, professional training, joint exercises and personnel development. (REPORT / 16.10.2026)

● アゼルバイジャン、UAE と軍事協力を協議
Azerbaijan, UAE explore military cooperation

On Oct. 19, Defense Minister Zakir Hasanov met with UAE Chief of the General Staff Lieutenant General Issa Saif bin Ablan Al Mazrouei to discuss expanding military cooperation, highlighting the joint “Falcons Meet–2026” tactical flight exercise as an important step in strengthening bilateral ties and military capabilities. Al Mazrouei also met with First Deputy Defense Minister and Chief of the General Staff Karim Valiyev to discuss defense cooperation, regional security and experience-sharing.
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On Oct. 19, Air Force Commander Namig Islamzade met with a UAE delegation to discuss joint exercises and prospects for expanding military cooperation. The delegation also visited the exercise headquarters and inspected aviation equipment. (AZERTAG / 19.10.2026)

● アゼルバイジャン、過激主義を呼びかけた疑いでトルコ在住の７人を国際指名手配
Azerbaijan places seven individuals in Türkiye on international wanted list over alleged extremist calls

Azerbaijan's Prosecutor General's Office has placed seven individuals residing in Türkiye on the international wanted list after charging them with allegedly calling for the forcible seizure of power, the violent change of Azerbaijan's constitutional order, and inciting religious hatred and hostility. The charges were filed on Oct.19, following alleged statements and online publications between Sept.25 and Oct.18. The investigation also concerns demonstrations outside Azerbaijan's consulate in Istanbul on Oct. 3 and its embassy in Ankara on Oct. 13. The Binagadi District Court ordered the suspects' arrest in absentia. Azerbaijani authorities said international legal cooperation with Türkiye and other countries was under way as the investigation continued. (REPORT / 19.10.2026)

2. 内政関連

● アゼルバイジャン与党、メフディエフ氏を除名し国家勲章剥奪を提案
Azerbaijan's ruling party expels Ramiz Mehdiyev and proposes stripping him of state awards

Azerbaijan's ruling New Azerbaijan Party (YAP) expelled Ramiz Mehdiyev, the detained former head of the Presidential Administration, from its ranks on Oct. 16, amid criminal proceedings against him on charges including high treason, attempting to seize state power by force and laundering criminal proceeds. The party also proposed asking the relevant authorities to strip him of his state awards.
According to YAP Deputy Chairman and head of the party's Central Apparatus, Tahir Budagov, the issue was brought before the party's Board following appeals from local party organizations. Board members argued that the allegations against Mehdiyev had generated significant public attention and supported his expulsion. The decision was unanimous. Mehdiyev was also excluded from YAP's Veterans Council. (APA / 17.10.2026)

● アリエフ大統領、ヤルディムリ県行政府長官を任命
President Aliyev appointed new head of Yardimli District Executive Authority

On Oct.22, President Aliyev signed the decree on appointing Orkhan Mammadov as the head

of the Yardimli District Executive Authority. (TREND / 22.10.2026)

● アリエフ大統領、ユスボフ大統領特別代表を解任
Azerbaijan dismisses Elchin Yusubov from post of special presidential representative

On Oct.22, President Aliyev signed the decree on dismissing Elchin Yusubov from his post as the Azerbaijani president's special representative in the city of Khankendi and the Aghdara and Khojaly districts. (TREND / 22.10.2026)

3. 外政関連

● 国際指名手配のトルコ人記者、アゼルバイジャンに謝罪
Turkish journalist apologizes to Azerbaijan after being declared internationally wanted

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Turkish journalist and columnist Celal Çiftçi, who writes for the Şanlıurfa Olay newspaper, has apologized to the Azerbaijani state and people after Azerbaijan's Prosecutor General's Office initiated criminal proceedings against him and declared him internationally wanted on charges related to calls for the violent seizure of power and incitement to religious hatred.

On Oct. 16, Çiftçi published an apology on X, expressing regret that his statements had offended Azerbaijanis. However, Çiftçi denied the allegations against him, stating that he had not intended to interfere in Azerbaijan's internal affairs, incite unrest or call for the violent overthrow of the government. He explained that his comments were motivated by his concerns about the hijab issue and freedom of religion and conscience.

According to Turkish media reports, Çiftçi shared an AI-generated image depicting President Aliyev being toppled from a throne, accompanied by the message: "You will eventually be overthrown, O tyrant!" The post reportedly intensified scrutiny of his social media activity.

According to Azerbaijan's Prosecutor General's Office, criminal proceedings were initiated on October 16 under Articles 281.2, 283.2.1 and 167-3.1 of the Criminal Code. The charges concern calls for the violent seizure of power, incitement to religious hatred and the dissemination of materials promoting religious extremism. His apology came on the same day the charges were announced. (APA, TREND / 16.10.2026)

● アリエフ大統領、各国大使から信任状を受領
President Aliyev received credentials of several ambassadors

On Oct.16, President Aliyev received George Zakarashvili, the newly appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Georgia to Azerbaijan.

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On Oct.16, President Aliyev received Abhay Kumar, the newly appointed Ambassador

Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of India to Azerbaijan.

NOTE: *Abhay Kumar has been India's Ambassador to Azerbaijan since 3 February 2026; however, President Aliyev received his credentials more than eight months after his arrival in Azerbaijan. Possible reasons: India's growing defence cooperation with Armenia. Azerbaijan's close relationship with Pakistan and Türkiye, both of which have strained relations with India for different reasons. Disagreements over Kashmir and regional security.* (AZERTAG / 16.10.2026)

● アゼルバイジャン、CICA 事務総長と機構発展を協議
Azerbaijan discusses CICA development with secretary-general

On Oct.16, FM Bayramov met with CICA Secretary-General Kairat Sarybay to discuss the outcomes of the 7th CICA Summit held in Baku on Oct.15, Azerbaijan's 2024–2026 chairmanship, and the organization's future priorities. The sides highlighted efforts to strengthen CICA's institutional development and expand cooperation in education, women's empowerment, youth, media and transport connectivity. (TREND / 16.10.2026)

● アゼルバイジャン、スリランカと観光・教育・エネルギー協力を協議
Azerbaijan, Sri Lanka discuss tourism, education, energy cooperation

On Oct.16, FM Bayramov met with Sri Lankan Foreign Minister Vijitha Herath, who was visiting Azerbaijan to attend the 7th CICA Summit. The sides discussed strengthening political dialogue, increasing high-level visits, and expanding cooperation in tourism, energy, education, student exchanges and diplomatic training. They also highlighted the importance of regular political consultations and discussed the outcomes of Azerbaijan's 2024–2026 CICA chairmanship. (TREND / 16.10.2026)

● アゼルバイジャン、バングラデシュと二国間協力拡大を協議
Azerbaijan, Bangladesh discuss expanding bilateral cooperation

On Oct.16, FM Bayramov met with Bangladesh's State Minister for Foreign Affairs Humayun Kabir on the sidelines of the 7th CICA Summit in Baku. The sides discussed strengthening political dialogue, mutual visits and cooperation in energy, education and humanitarian affairs, as well as the implementation of an agreement exempting diplomatic and service passport holders from visa requirements. They also discussed cooperation within the UN, the NAM and preparations for the OIC summit Azerbaijan is scheduled to host in 2027. (TREND / 16.10.2026)

● トルコ・アゼルバイジャン関係に何が起きているのか―解説
What is happening in relations between Türkiye and Azerbaijan? – explainer

Public criticism by Turkish political figures of Azerbaijan's school uniform regulations has triggered a dispute over domestic policy, national sovereignty and the limits of the countries' strategic partnership. On Oct. 12, Turkish presidential adviser Oktay Saral and several ruling AKP representatives criticized restrictions affecting students wearing the hijab. The following day, Azerbaijan's ruling New Azerbaijan Party (YAP) and the Azerbaijani-Turkish interparliamentary working group rejected the criticism, defending Baku's right to determine domestic policy independently. Azerbaijani representatives also dismissed attempts to link the issue to the country's relations with Israel.

On Oct. 15, Turkish FM Hakan Fidan met President Aliyev and FM Bayramov in Baku. Fidan emphasized the strategic importance of bilateral relations and the need to address disagreements through direct communication rather than public exchanges on social media. Turkish officials subsequently reiterated that Ankara did not intend to interfere in Azerbaijan's internal affairs. On Oct. 18, Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan congratulated Azerbaijan on Restoration of Independence Day, reaffirming the countries' close ties.

The dispute highlights that, despite extensive political, economic and military cooperation, Azerbaijan and Türkiye maintain distinct domestic and foreign policy priorities. Kazakhstan's continued engagement with Israel, despite its close relations with both countries, further illustrates that strategic partnerships do not require identical foreign policy positions. (TREND / 18.10.2026)

● エルドアン・トルコ大統領、独立回復の日をアゼルバイジャンに祝意
Turkish President congratulates Azerbaijan on Restoration of Independence Day

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan congratulated Azerbaijan on Restoration of Independence Day on Oct.18, sharing a message on social media in which he reaffirmed the brotherly ties between the two countries and extended greetings to President Aliyev and the Azerbaijani people.

NOTE: *Aliyev did not publicly respond to Erdoğan's message, nor did he issue a separate congratulatory message to the Azerbaijani people on the occasion.*

● アゼルバイジャンのヒジャブ規制、国際的抗議と人権批判招く
Hijab restrictions in Azerbaijan draw international protests and human rights criticism

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Between Oct.15 and 19, Azerbaijan's school hijab controversy continued to attract international criticism, with protests abroad, an Iranian diplomatic response and renewed calls for the government to reverse restrictions affecting hijab-wearing pupils and teachers.

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On Oct.16, Amnesty International called on Azerbaijani authorities to reverse the restrictions and release individuals detained solely for peaceful protest. The organization argued that denying girls access to education because they wear the hijab violates their rights to

education, freedom of religion and freedom of expression. It also raised concerns about reported arrests and the disappearance of activist Ilkin Huseynov, who had launched an initiative to provide free online lessons to affected pupils.
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Protests abroad
On Oct. 16, students and activists gathered outside Azerbaijan's Embassy in London in a demonstration organized by the Association of Students Activism for Palestine (ASAP) and partner groups under the slogan "Hands Off My Hijab." Participants, including ASAP president Nusaiba Mohamed, student Osama Ghanem and Islamic preacher Fadel Soliman, called on Azerbaijani authorities to end restrictions affecting hijab-wearing students. Organizers announced plans to hold further demonstrations outside the embassy every Friday until the restrictions are reversed.
Protests also took place in Türkiye, including outside Azerbaijan's diplomatic missions in Istanbul and Ankara. Demonstrators criticized the restrictions and called for students to be allowed to attend classes wearing the hijab.
On Oct.18, Azerbaijani media reported a gathering in Berlin organized by the European representation of Azerbaijan's Muslim Unity Movement opposing the restrictions. Coverage drew attention to Iranian flags displayed at the event, prompting questions about its political context. However, on Oct.15, the Iranian Embassy in Baku rejected allegations linking Tehran to protests over the school dress-code rules. Responding to claims reported by Azerbaijani media, the embassy described accusations that Iran was behind public demonstrations or expressions of discontent as baseless. It said Iran's policy was based on good-neighbourly relations, mutual respect and respect for other countries' sovereignty, warning that unsubstantiated allegations could create unnecessary tensions between the two countries.
On Oct.18, Iranian parliamentarian Mohammadreza Mohseni Sani, a member of the parliament's National Security and Foreign Policy Commission, said he had written to Azerbaijani parliament speaker Sahiba Gafarova expressing concern over reports that girls were being denied access to education because of their headscarves. He called for an investigation and urged Azerbaijan to ensure that students could continue their education without religious discrimination. His intervention came three days after the Iranian Embassy rejected allegations of Tehran's involvement in the protests. (AMNESTY, TANSIM / 19.10.2026)

● ガファロヴァ国会議長、キルギスを訪問
Azerbaijani parliamentary speaker Sahiba Gafarova visits Kyrgyzstan

Speaker of Milli Majlis Sahiba Gafarova met with Kyrgyz President Sadyr Japarov on Oct. 20 during her official visit to Bishkek, where she is participating in the 15th Plenary Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of Turkic States (TURKPA). During the meeting, the sides discussed expanding bilateral cooperation in trade, investment, energy, transport and other

areas.
Earlier on Oct.20, Gafarova addressed a meeting of the TURKPA Council in Bishkek, stressing the importance of parliamentary diplomacy in advancing the shared interests of Turkic states. She noted that Azerbaijan's parliamentary delegation actively participates in TURKPA commission meetings, the preparation of model laws and election-observation missions. She also highlighted the Milli Majlis's efforts to strengthen TURKPA's international activities and cooperation with other inter-parliamentary organisations.
The 15th TURKPA Plenary Session and the Council meeting are being held in Bishkek on Oct. 19–20 under the theme "Parliamentary Cooperation in the Turkic World in the Age of Artificial Intelligence and Technological Progress."
Gafarova's visit began on Oct. 18. On Oct.19, she met with Kyrgyz Parliament Speaker Marlen Mamataliyev to discuss inter-parliamentary relations, trade and investment, and cultural and humanitarian cooperation. Mamataliyev reported that 11 investment projects worth more than US$24 million had been approved through the Azerbaijan–Kyrgyz Development Fund and called for further cooperation in strategic sectors, particularly energy. (TREND / 19.10.2026)

● バイラモフ外相、離任する日本大使と貿易・エネルギー関係を協議
Azerbaijani FM, outgoing Japanese envoy discuss trade, energy ties

FM Bayramov met with outgoing Japanese Ambassador Katsuya Watanabe on Oct. 19 to discuss prospects for expanding bilateral cooperation in trade, the economy, energy, education, culture and sports. The sides reviewed Bayramov's visit to Japan earlier this year and stressed continued dialogue and mutual support within international organisations. They also highlighted Azerbaijan's hosting of major international events, including COP29, WUF13 and WTDC-25, and noted that Azerbaijan's visa-free regime for Japanese citizens could encourage tourism and people-to-people exchanges. Bayramov thanked Watanabe for his contribution to bilateral relations and wished him success in his future endeavours. (TREND / 19.10.2026)

● OIC、アゼルバイジャン関連 4 決議を再確認、バクー・エレバン和平プロセスを支持
OIC reaffirms four Azerbaijan resolutions, backs Baku-Yerevan peace process

At the OIC Council of Foreign Ministers' 52nd session in Baghdad on Oct. 17–18, four resolutions concerning Azerbaijan were re-adopted, addressing the consequences of Armenia's aggression, economic assistance, damage to Islamic heritage and solidarity with Khojaly massacre victims. The Baghdad Declaration welcomed progress in the Azerbaijan–Armenia normalization process, including the initialing of the peace agreement, and urged Armenia to remove remaining obstacles to its signing. It also called for support for the reconstruction and demining of Azerbaijan's liberated territories. Azerbaijan's representative Aydin Safikhanli was elected to the OIC Independent Permanent Human Rights Commission

for 2027–2030. Azerbaijan was represented by Deputy Foreign Minister Yalchin Rafiyev, who also held bilateral meetings with officials from Gambia, Türkiye and Iraq. (TREND / 19.10.2026)

● アゼルバイジャン報道評議会、トルコメディアに偏向キャンペーン中止を要請
Azerbaijan Press Council urges Turkish media to end biased campaign

Azerbaijan's Press Council has criticised what it described as a biased campaign against Azerbaijan in some Turkish media outlets and on social media, accusing them of distorting the country's school uniform regulations and spreading unfounded claims that Azerbaijan had imposed a hijab ban and was suppressing Islamic values. The council said domestic education policy was being taken out of context and turned into a religious and ideological confrontation through unverified claims, misleading images and videos, and inflammatory rhetoric. The council urged Turkish media organisations and social media commentators to verify information, correct inaccurate reports, and avoid content that could damage bilateral relations. It also condemned calls for the unconstitutional seizure of power in Azerbaijan, stressing that freedom of expression should not be used to promote illegal action. Emphasising the principle of "One nation, two states," the council said Azerbaijan–Türkiye relations should be based on mutual respect for sovereignty and non-interference in each other's domestic affairs. (TREND / 19.10.2026)

● 在アゼルバイジャン・トルコ大使館、メディア論争を巡るフィダン・トルコ外相への疑惑を否定
Turkish embassy denies allegations against Hakan Fidan amid media controversy in Azerbaijan

Azerbaijani media reports alleging that Turkish Foreign Minister Hakan Fidan engaged in political interference and intelligence-related activities during his visit to Baku have prompted an official denial from Türkiye's Embassy in Azerbaijan.

The controversy began with an article published by Qafqazinfo on October 17, alleging that Fidan held a questionable meeting with the Youth Assistance Fund (GYF) in Baku and issued instructions concerning the activities of Turkish-linked organisations in Azerbaijan. The article suggested possible intelligence gathering, the cultivation of influential individuals and efforts to create political instability, but did not clearly identify the sources of the alleged instructions or provide evidence substantiating the claims.

The allegations were subsequently reproduced by other Azerbaijani media outlets, including Redaktor.az, Oxu.az and NoComment. The NoComment report referred to a purported letter from Fidan to the speaker of the Turkish parliament, dated July 17, 2025, allegedly concerning coordination between Turkish non-governmental organisations operating abroad and diplomatic missions.

On October 17, Türkiye's Embassy in Baku categorically rejected the allegations, describing

them as disinformation intended to damage bilateral relations and turn Azerbaijani public opinion against Türkiye. The embassy said that Fidan had posed for courtesy photographs with various individuals during his visit, including members of a legally registered organisation, but denied that a secret meeting or the issuing of instructions had taken place. It also stated that the purported letter cited in the reports did not exist.
Qafqazinfo's original article was subsequently removed, although copies continued to circulate online. The reason for its removal has not been officially explained. Journalist Elbay Gasimli suggested that the publication may have acted on instructions from the government, but this interpretation has not been independently substantiated. (TURAN / 17.10.2026)

● アゼルバイジャン外務省、自国民に不要不急のフランス渡航回避を要請
Azerbaijani MFA urges compatriots to avoid nonessential travel to France

Azerbaijan's Foreign Ministry has advised citizens to avoid traveling to France unless absolutely necessary due to increased unrest, violence, and civil disobedience. Azerbaijanis currently in France are urged to exercise caution, avoid crowded places, monitor official information sources, and contact the Azerbaijani Embassy in emergencies. (TREND / 20.10.2026)

● アゼルバイジャン、クロアチアと貿易・エネルギー・地雷除去協力を協議
Azerbaijan, Croatia discuss trade, energy, demining cooperation

FM Bayramov met with Croatian State Secretary for Political Affairs Frano Matušić on Oct. 20 to discuss strengthening the strategic partnership, expanding trade and investment, and developing cooperation in energy, digitalization, tourism, agriculture and the Middle Corridor. The sides also discussed demining cooperation between ANAMA and Croatian companies, reconstruction projects in liberated territories, and the Azerbaijan–Armenia peace process. Croatia expressed readiness to support Azerbaijan's demining efforts. A new round of bilateral political consultations, led by Deputy Foreign Minister Fariz Rzayev and Matušić, was also held. (TREND / 20.10.2026)

● アリエフ大統領、北マケドニア大統領とエネルギー協力拡大で合意
President Aliyev and North Macedonian president agree to expand energy cooperation

On Oct. 21, President Aliyev and North Macedonian President Gordana Siljanovska-Davkova held a phone conversation to discuss the global energy situation, challenges facing the sector, and potential solutions. They recalled her official visit to Azerbaijan, noting its contribution to strengthening bilateral friendship and mutual understanding, and agreed to expand energy cooperation. (AZERTAG / 21.10.2026)

● アリエフ大統領、エルドアン・トルコ大統領と二国間関係や地域情勢を協議

President Aliyev and Erdoğan discuss bilateral relations and regional issues

On Oct. 21, Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan called President Aliyev to discuss bilateral relations between Türkiye and Azerbaijan, as well as regional and global issues.
During the conversation, Erdoğan expressed confidence that cooperation between the two countries, based on their brotherly relations, would continue to strengthen and reach new heights. He also congratulated Aliyev on the 35th anniversary of the restoration of Azerbaijan's state independence and invited him to attend the 13th Summit of the Organization of Turkic States (OTS), scheduled to take place in Ankara.
Aliyev thanked Erdoğan for the call and his congratulations, expressing confidence that relations between the two countries would continue to develop successfully. (AZERTAG / 21.10.2026)

● アゼルバイジャン、トルコ国民 31 人を「好ましからざる人物」リストに追加
Azerbaijan adds 31 Turkish citizens to list of "undesirable persons"

Azerbaijan has declared 31 Turkish citizens "undesirable persons" and banned them from entering the country over alleged online calls targeting Azerbaijan's sovereignty, national security and constitutional order, including calls for the forcible overthrow of the government, religiously motivated violence and incitement of religious hatred. The Foreign Ministry said further measures would be taken against activities targeting Azerbaijan and promoting hostility. (AZERTAG / 21.10.2026)
NOTE: *The list includes journalists, bloggers, religious commentators and political figures, including the chairman of Türkiye's Yeniden Refah Party, Fatih Erbakan, and Turkish MP Ömer Faruk Gergerlioğlu. Azerbaijan's public announcement does not specify which statement or publication led to each person's inclusion.*

● トルコ、OTS 首脳会議を前にアゼルバイジャンとの対立収束を模索
Turkey seeks to contain dispute with Azerbaijan ahead of OTS Summit

Turkish Minute reported on Oct. 21 that Türkiye was seeking to contain the escalating dispute with Azerbaijan over restrictions on school headscarves, as tensions threatened to affect relations ahead of the 13th Summit of the Organization of Turkic States (OTS) in Ankara on October 30.
The dispute intensified after Turkish presidential adviser Oktay Saral criticised Azerbaijan's school-uniform rules on Oct.12 and called for them to be reversed. Azerbaijan's ruling New Azerbaijan Party (YAP) responded by accusing Saral and members of Türkiye's ruling Justice and Development Party (AKP) of interfering in Azerbaijan's domestic affairs.
According to a Middle East Eye report, Baku had asked Ankara to dismiss Saral, take action against social-media commentators accused of insulting President Aliyev, and block specified online accounts. Türkiye reportedly blocked some accounts but had taken no further action

on the other requests.
The dispute subsequently expanded. Azerbaijan issued arrest warrants for seven Turkish citizens accused of calling for the government's forcible overthrow and promoting religious extremism, and declared 31 Turkish citizens undesirable, banning them from entering the country. The latter group included political figures, journalists and religious commentators.
Ankara has meanwhile sought to reduce tensions. Former Turkish Prime Minister Binali Yıldırım said Saral's comments did not represent official Turkish policy, while Nationalist Movement Party (MHP) leader Devlet Bahçeli called for common sense. Türkiye's Presidential Communications Directorate also disputed social-media claims that the Turkish flag had been removed in Azerbaijan, saying the circulating footage was old.
The dispute comes ahead of the OTS summit, where Türkiye is due to assume the organisation's chairmanship from Azerbaijan. Although Turkish Foreign Ministry sources indicated that Aliyev was expected to attend, Middle East Eye's sources said his participation had not been confirmed.
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Pro-government media in Azerbaijan are publishing comments criticising the "belated and insufficiently open and clear assessment by Turkish officials" of the current deterioration in relations between the two countries. At the same time, the reports stress that a significant part of Turkish society supports respect for Azerbaijan and opposes interference in its internal affairs. Media outlets have highlighted the fact that on Oct.21, the Turkish president called his Azerbaijani counterpart and invited him to the upcoming summit of the Organisation of Turkic States in Ankara. The conversation, they write, "demonstrated mutual political will to develop cooperation and fraternal ties". (TURKISH MINUTE, JAM-NEWS / 21.10.2026)

● アゼルバイジャン、インドネシアと二国間協力を協議
Azerbaijan and Indonesia discuss bilateral cooperation

On Oct.21, FM Bayramov met with Santo Darmosumarto, Director General for Asia-Pacific and African Affairs at Indonesia's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, to discuss bilateral relations and opportunities to expand political dialogue and cooperation in trade, investment, transport, tourism and education. They also discussed coordination within international organisations, preparations for Azerbaijan's 2027 OIC Summit, regional connectivity through the C6 format, and regional and international security. Separately, Deputy FM Elnur Mammadov and Darmosumarto led a new round of Azerbaijan–Indonesia political consultations. (AZERTAG / 21.10.2026)

● アミルバヨフ大統領補佐官、ブリュッセルで NATO・EU との協力を協議
Presidential Aid Elchin Amirbayov discusses Azerbaijan–NATO and EU cooperation in Brussels

On Oct. 21, President's Representative for Special Assignments Elchin Amirbayov held

meetings in Brussels to discuss Azerbaijan's cooperation with NATO, the EU and Belgium, as well as regional security and the Armenia–Azerbaijan peace process.
Amirbayov met with Kevin Hamilton, NATO Secretary General's Special Representative for the Caucasus and Central Asia. They discussed prospects for expanding Azerbaijan–NATO cooperation in political, military and humanitarian fields.
His discussions with European interlocutors also covered the Armenia–Azerbaijan peace process, regional connectivity, the TRIPP project, energy cooperation and relations between Azerbaijan and the EU. Amirbayov highlighted progress towards regional peace and Azerbaijan's role in European energy security. (BRUSSELS TIMES/ 21.10.2026)

● レイラ・アリエヴァ氏、人道・文化活動でトルクメニスタンとウズベキスタンを訪問
Leyla Aliyeva visits Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan for humanitarian and cultural activities

Heydar Aliyev Foundation Vice-President Leyla Aliyeva visited Turkmenistan on Oct.19–20 before travelling to Samarkand, Uzbekistan, where she took part in international events focused on children's welfare and healthcare.
In Turkmenistan, Aliyeva met with Oguljahan Atabayeva, Vice-President for Medical Activities of the Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov Charitable Foundation for Assistance to Children in Need of Guardianship. They discussed bilateral cooperation and collaboration between their foundations.
On Oct. 20, Aliyeva, Atabayeva and Saida Mirziyoyeva, head of Uzbekistan's Presidential Administration, held a trilateral meeting in Ashgabat. They also attended the opening of the international MAMA "Mother Nature" art exhibition.
In Samarkand on Oct. 21, Aliyeva attended the opening of the World Summit on Investing in Children's Well-being and the Second International Congress on Childhood Cancer, held under the theme "From Cure to Quality of Life." She also met Zimbabwe's First Lady, Auxillia Mnangagwa, to discuss bilateral relations and cooperation. (HEYDAR ALIYEV FOUNDATION / 21.10.2026)

● パシニャン・アルメニア首相、和平合意は 2027～28 年に署名可能と発言、アゼルバイジャンは批判
Pashinyan says Armenia–Azerbaijan peace agreement could be signed in 2027–2028 amid Azerbaijani criticism

Armenian PM Pashinyan said on Oct.22 that the peace agreement with Azerbaijan, initialed in August 2025, could be signed in 2027–2028. His remarks followed a statement on Oct. 15 that signing and ratifying the agreement by 2031 was his objective, linked to the government's five-year mandate. Pashinyan subsequently clarified that he did not intend to postpone the agreement until 2031 and said it could be signed earlier. He also noted that implementation of the TRIPP was beginning.

Pashinyan also discussed Armenia's planned new Constitution, saying the draft would soon be published for public discussion before being submitted to parliament. Addressing Azerbaijan's demand for constitutional changes, he said he had raised the issue during his recent meeting with the Azerbaijani side in Bishkek. Pashinyan maintained that constitutional matters were Armenia's internal affair, while acknowledging that Baku had communicated its position in the context of peace negotiations. Azerbaijan has argued that constitutional provisions it considers to contain territorial claims against Azerbaijan must be addressed before the peace agreement is signed.
Pashinyan's statements have drawn criticism from Azerbaijani MPs and media, particularly over the 2031 timeframe. Azerbaijani lawmakers have questioned whether the Armenian government is genuinely committed to an early agreement and argued that setting a distant deadline risks prolonging uncertainty. They have also stressed that constitutional amendments and implementation of the Washington agreements remain key issues.
While Pashinyan has indicated that signing could take place in 2027–2028, Baku continues to insist that outstanding political and legal concerns must be resolved. (NEWS.AM / 22.10.2026)

● アゼルバイジャン、日本と二国間協力を協議
Japan and Azerbaijan discuss bilateral cooperation

Japan's State Minister for Foreign Affairs Yasutaka Nakasone met with Azerbaijani Ambassador Farid Talibov to discuss bilateral relations, regional developments and international cooperation. Nakasone highlighted Azerbaijan's role in international energy security and regional stability, describing it as a valuable partner. Both sides also expressed interest in strengthening ties, particularly through the early conclusion of a bilateral investment agreement, an objective reaffirmed during Foreign Minister Jeyhun Bayramov's visit to Japan in June 2026. (REPORT / 22.10.2026)

● アゼルバイジャン、信教の自由に関する国連特別報告者の報告書に抗議
Azerbaijan protests UN rapporteur's report on religious freedom

On Oct.22, Azerbaijan protested against UN Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief Nazila Ghanea's report (A/81/376), arguing that it contained unsubstantiated allegations concerning the country. Azerbaijan's representative to the UN, Shahriyar Hajiyev, criticized the report for failing to address the destruction of at least 65 mosques and the desecration of cemeteries during Armenia's nearly 30-year occupation of Azerbaijani territories. He questioned the report's impartiality and highlighted Azerbaijan's registered religious communities and places of worship.
The Special Rapporteur's report addressed the protection of funeral rights in conflict and post-conflict situations. It also cited allegations of damage to Christian gravestones and cemeteries in Nakhchivan, which Azerbaijan disputed. (TREND / 22.10.2026)

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