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## President urges world to play role for world peace

Israeli occupying forces should immediately stop violence, oppression: FM

ISLAMABAD (APP): President Dr Arif Alvi on Sunday called upon the international community to play its active role for peaceful resolution of the Israel-Palestine dispute in accordance with the relevant UN resolutions and international law.

In a post on X, he said progress towards peace could not materialise without condemnation of usurpation and brutalisation of Palestinian rights and people by Israel.

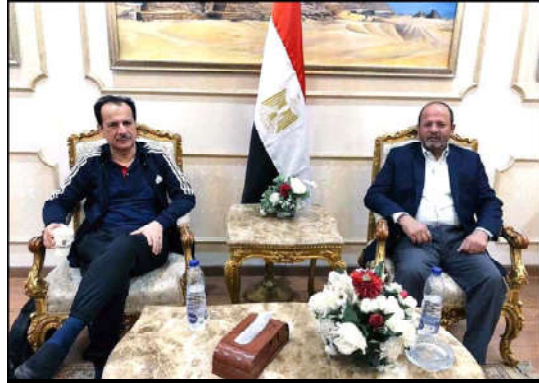
"Continuous annexation of land, illegal settlements, disproportionate reactions and killings. The result is no hope and no progress towards peace," the president added.

He said time had come to move forward in line with UN resolutions, add-

ing "International community can play a big role today towards world peace."

Online adds: Caretaker Foreign Minister Jalil Abbas Jilani has expressed deep concern over the growing tension in the Middle East and said that the Israeli occupying forces should immediately stop the violence and oppression, deeply saddened by the loss of innocent lives.

More than 300 Palestinians have been martyred after Israel launched retaliatory air strikes in the Gaza Strip following Hamas's operation "Al-Aqsa Storm" which saw 5,000 rockets being launched into Israel from Gaza, followed by gunmen infiltrating areas in the southern region of the country.



CAIRO: Egyptian Ambassador Sajid Bilal receives Federal Minister for National Health services Dr. Nadeem Jan upon arrival at Cairo airport.

## Giving date of elections not mandate of caretaker regime, says Solangi

Nawaz did not flee country illegally; No ban on PTI for upcoming elections, says info minister

ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Federal Minister for Information and Broadcasting Murtaza Solangi has said that it was not the mandate and responsibility of caretaker government to give date for general election in the country.

Talking to WE News on Sunday, the minister said Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) was an autonomous constitutional institution, and since the day, he took oath as minister, he was in constant contact with the ECP.

The minister said he had full faith and confidence in the capability and leadership of the ECP, and the elections would be held on the date announced by the Election Commission.

To a question he said that Pakistan People's Party was one of the major political parties of the country.

"We are going through

the phase of election and during the environment of election, any party and its leadership had the freedom to give their stand on any important issue", he maintained.

Murtaza Solangi said that media in Pakistan enjoyed freedom and the courts were also free, adding all registered political parties had equal opportunities.

The Election Commission of Pakistan and caretaker government would ensure equal opportunities for all political parties in the upcoming elections, he added.

The minister stated that there was no ban on PTI as a political party.

Replying to a question, he said that the process of privatization was not initiated by caretaker government, previous parliament and its elected government decided to privatize various entities.



QUETTA: Chairman Pashtoonkhwa Milli Awami Party Mahmood Khan Achakzai addressing during award distributing ceremony organized by Baluchistan International Think Tank and friends of universe Society Pakistan, at Press club

**REPATRIATION OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS**

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CHAMAN: Caretaker Chief Minister Balochistan Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki presiding over a meeting regarding deportation of illegal immigrants

## OIC voices concern at Israeli escalation in Palestinian territory

ISLAMABAD: Organization of Islamic Corporation has expressed deep concern on dangerous Israeli escalation in Occupied Palestinian territory.

The General Secretariat in a statement said that Israel's impunity has encouraged it to persist in its policy which in their entirety amount to war crime against humanity.

The statement stressed for providing international protection for Palestinian people and sponsoring a credible political process to establish an independence sovereign Palestinian State with East Al-Quds as its capital on the line of 1967 borders.

OIC said achieving a just and comprehensive peace based on vision of two state solutions as per international legitimacy must be pursued.

## Decision of expulsion of illegal immigrants final: Caretaker CM assures every possible support for return of illegal immigrants

Mir Ali Mardan Domki says additional staff deputated at Passport office Chaman; passport office to be made operational at Killa Saifullah soon

QUETTA: The caretaker Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki has categorically stated that the decision of expulsion of illegal immigrants is final, and as such the interim government would provide every possible assistance to them in repatriation to their respective countries.

He said that the additional staff has been deputated in the Passport office of Chaman to serve the people round the clock.

Moreover, a focal point has also been set up in the Deputy Commissioner office Chaman while the passport office would be made functional in Killa Saifullah soon. This was announced by the caretaker Chief Minister while addressing a tribal Jirga at Chaman.

Also present on the occasion were the prominent tribal elders besides the senior officials from the civil bureaucracy, Frontier Corps (FC) and other concerned high ups.

Prominent among them were the Chief Secretary Shakeel Qadir Khan, Additional Chief Secretary Home, Saleh Muhammad Nasar, Inspector General FC North, Major General Muhammad Amir Ajmal, Inspector General of police, Abdul Khaliq Sheikh, Commissioner Quetta, Hamza Shafaqat, besides others.

Addressing the tribal

Jirga, Mir Ali Mardan Domki said that the it has been decided by the government to repatriate the illegal immigrants to their respective countries.

He made it clear that the illegal immigrants don't belong to a particular tribe or nationality.

He said that the policy about expulsion of Afghan refugees is not only for the Afghan nationals, rather it would apply on all illegal immigrants living without valid documents in the province and country.

The caretaker Chief Minister said that the paper Tazkara would be over in couple of days, and instead of it, the passport and E-Tazkara would be valid.

Joint meeting chaired by caretaker CM in border town informed:

## Around 150 families repatriated respectfully to homeland from Chaman border

Independent Report

QUETTA: Around 150 Afghan refugee families have so far been repatriated respectfully along with all necessary facilities to their homeland from the Pak-Afghan border, Chaman.

This was informed to a joint meeting of the high ups and representatives of the Frontier Corps, police, district administration and law enforcement agencies held with the caretaker Chief Minister Mir Ali Mardan Domki in the chair in Chaman on Sunday.

The meeting was briefed about the implementation on the decisions of Apex committee and steps taken for expulsion of the aliens.

It was informed that an effective monitoring mechanism has been formulated for continuous review of the repatriation process.

In this regard, a monitoring committee has been formed that comprises Deputy Commissioner and representatives of police and other law enforcement agencies.

It was told that the immigrants to be brought in Chaman following the action to be taken after the given date would be kept in the camps before their handing over to the respective country.

The basic facilities have been provided at the camps, the number of which would be increased in view of the number of immigrants, it was further informed.

The meeting was also informed that the strength of police and levies is being increased owing to the arrival of large number of immigrants in Chaman.

In addition to this, it has been proposed to set up Afghan sub-consulate in Chaman.



QUETTA: Governor Balochistan Malik Abdul Wali Khan Kakar in a group photo with members of College of Physicians and Surgeons Pakistan

## Hamas, Israel war, total casualties exceed 900

TEL AVIV/GAZA (Online): After the unexpected attack by Hamas, the death toll of Israeli citizens has increased to more than 600 and dozens of people, including soldiers, have been taken hostage.

While according to Palestinian officials, at least 370 Palestinians have been killed and nearly 2,000 injured in Israeli airstrikes in the Gaza Strip.

In this way, the total number of casualties has exceeded 900 in the clashes between Hamas and Israel that have been going on for 2 days.

The Israeli army said fighting is ongoing in eight locations in its territory.

According to media reports, the current tension between Israel and Palestine has now completed 24 hours.

After the sudden attack by Hamas, the Israeli army could not recover even for the second day.

The death toll of Israelis in various clashes has exceeded 600, including more than 100 military commanders and officials.

On the other hand, the Israeli army, in a cowardly operation, bombarded the houses of Hamas commanders in Gaza throughout the night. Everywhere there are scenes of destruction.

According to the Ministry of Health in the Gaza Strip, more than 313 Palestinians, including children, were martyred in these attacks.

According to local media reports, fierce clashes between Israeli forces and Palestinian militants are ongoing in many parts of southern Israel.

The Israeli army said it had regained control of most of the south, but heavy fighting was still ongoing in Israeli areas near the Gaza border, including Be'eri and Sderot.



People inspect a building destroyed in Israeli strikes in Gaza City

## JUI-F standing with Palestinian brothers in this difficult time: Maulana Fazal

ISLAMABAD (APP): Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam (JUI-F) Chief Maulana Fazl-ur-Rehman Sunday said that his political party was standing with our Palestinian brothers in this difficult time and urged the United Nations to fulfill and implement its resolutions of 1967 to settle down the conflict.

Rehman in a statement said, Palestinian freedom fighter's attacks on Israel were a historic success, adding that they have freed their territories from Israeli occupation. "I congratulate the Palestinian people on this landmark achievement," he said.

He said that JUI-F has always stood by Palestinian and the recent incident has destroyed Israel's defense system and their arrogance, and asked that Palestinian brothers respect human rights and not harm children, women and citizens. Palestinians should prove how Islam and Muslims protect human rights. He said that the OIC should be called and all Islamic countries should determine their position keeping in view the current critical situation.

## Security forces kill one terrorist in North Waziristan

RAWALPINDI (APP): One terrorist was killed in an exchange of fire with security forces in Razmak area of North Waziristan.

According to Inter Services Public Relations (ISPR), weapons and ammunition were also recovered from the killed terrorist.

Known as Azeem Ullah alias 'Ghazi', the killed terrorist remained actively involved in various terror activities against security forces and killing of innocent civilians.

The ISPR said sanitization has been carried out to eliminate any other terrorist in the area. Locals of the area have appreciated the operation.



MUZAFFRABAD: Prime Minister of AJK Chaudhry Anwar ul Haq addressing during a ceremony to mark the 18th anniversary of the devastating 2005 earthquake

## Anniversary of the 8th Oct devastating earthquake observed in Balakot

BALAKOT (APP): People of Balakot and adjoining areas Sunday observed the 18th anniversary of the devastating earthquake that took thousands of lives and destroyed Balakot City, where hospitals and schools are still waiting for reconstruction.

At 8:52, a memorial ceremony was held at Balakot, where the survivors of the earthquake, members of civil society, and other organizations were present

and also observed a minute of silence. 18 years ago, on October 8, 2005, at 8:52 a.m., some 80000 people died and houses were destroyed when an earthquake of 7.6 magnitudes hit Azad Kashmir and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. According to the statistics, the earthquake left more than 17,000 people dead in Balakot alone. Collective prayers for the victims will be offered at different places in Balakot.

## Project Manager of PMDC killed in Sorenj road blast

QUETTA: The Project Manager of Pakistan Mineral Development Corporation (PMDC), Shabbir Mirza was killed and his driver injured in the roadside blast hit their vehicle in Sorenj area on Sunday morning.

According to the police sources, the Project Manager PMDC was on way to the Sorenj coalmine field riding his vehicle when an explosive device went off

just close to his vehicle.

As a result the explosive device hitting his vehicle exploded, the Project Manager PMDC died on the spot while his driver got injured. The area police and administration reached the spot and shifted the body of deceased to the local hospital. The injured, however, was removed to the Sandeman Provincial Headquarter Hospital for treatment where his condition is stated to be precarious.



KARACHI: Palestine Foundation Pakistan activists chant slogans against Israel at a protest rally outside Karachi Press Club.

## Pakistan grieved over devastating earthquake in Afghanistan

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan on Sunday expressed deep sadness and condolence over loss of precious lives and properties in devastating earthquake that hit Western regions of Afghanistan on Saturday.

"The Government and people of Pakistan are deeply saddened by the devastating earthquake in Western regions of Afghanistan yesterday, resulting in tragic loss of life and widespread damage to property," a statement issued by the foreign office spokesperson said.

"We extend our sincerest condolences to the families of those who lost their loved ones and pray for the early and complete recovery of the injured."

The statement added that Pakistan stood in complete solidarity with the brothers and sisters in Afghanistan during this difficult time.

"We are in contact with the Afghan authorities to get a first-hand assessment of the urgent needs of those affected by the earthquake. Pakistan will extend all possible support to the recovery effort," it added.

LAHORE (INP): Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) Senior Vice President Maryam Nawaz expressed optimism on Sunday about the return of her father, Nawaz Sharif, to Pakistan on October 21, aiming to bring an end to what she referred to as a "seven-year period of prolonged sorrow".

Addressing a public gathering in Lahore, Maryam remarked that Nawaz Sharif had suffered more days of hardship instead of remaining in power corridors, emphasising

former prime minister's commitment to the nation's well-being.

Maryam highlighted the PML-N's economic achievements under Nawaz Sharif's leadership and challenged the audience to recall any other prime minister who had successfully reduced the prices of essential commodities.

Amidst an enthusiastic crowd displaying placards bearing Nawaz Sharif's images, Maryam expressed her anticipation of the joyous reception her father would receive upon his re-

turn on October 21.

Taking a swipe at the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) government, Maryam accused the previous administration of appointing individuals who resorted to using offensive language against the then opposition.

Branding them as "jokers," Maryam claimed that the health card initiative was started by her father which was hijacked later by the PTI government, adding that the former ruling party wrongfully took credit for its success.





## Ashrafi says Pak-Afghan improved relations crucial for regional peace, stability

ISLAMABAD (APP): Pakistan Ulema Council Chairman, Hafiz Muhammad Tahir Mahmood Ashrafi on Sunday emphasized that the relationship between Pakistan and Afghanistan must be strengthened, and no one should be allowed to undermine the pursuit of peace between the two neighbouring countries.

Talking to media, accompanying prominent religious leaders, he stressed the need for improved relations between Pakistan and Afghanistan and the importance of maintaining peace in the region.

Ashrafi clarified Pakistan's stance on Afghan nationals residing within its borders, stating, "There is not a single illegal student or teacher in any of the seminaries in Pakistan. If the police have any information, they should consult the concerned seminary and its administration."

He underscored the distinction between Afghan refugees and illegal migrants and expressed Pakistan's commitment to ensuring that Afghan nationals living legally in Pakistan face no issues. Addressing the issue of terrorism, he stressed that both countries should cooperate in preventing individuals from either side from engaging in acts of terrorism in the neighbouring country.



QUETTA: Chairman Senate Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani condoling with former MNA Mir Ehsanullah Reki over death of his father

## UN, OIC urged to craft meaningful strategy for settlement of Palestine issue

ISLAMABAD (INP): Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) called upon the United Nations and the OIC to realize the gravity of the situation and should immediately hammer out a meaningful and result-oriented strategy to find out lasting and perpetual solution to the Palestinian issue, insisting that enduring peace in the region lies only in a two-state solution.

Reacting to the fierce armed clashes between Palestine and Israel and the escalating tension in the region, PTI spokesperson demanded that the international nations should protect the basic and fundamental rights of the people of Palestine and make the oppressor and illegitimate state of Israel bound by international law and ethics.

He emphasized that the key countries of the Muslim Ummah, including the OIC, should take special measures on war-footing basis to ensure a permanent and durable solution to the Palestinian issue.



GWADAR: Commissioner Mekran Saeed Ahmed Umrani presiding over a high level meeting regarding arrangements of Gwadar jeep rally

## CPSP's newly built Hall & Library inaugurated: Advanced Life Support in Obstetrics course conducted at CPSP's Regional Office

Independent Report QUETTA: The President College of Physicians & Surgeons Pakistan (CPSP), Professor Dr. Khalid Masud Gondal (Tamgha-e-Imtiaz) inaugurated the newly built Hall and Library in the Regional Office of CPSP here on Sunday.

Also present at the inauguration were senior Vice President of CPSP, Professor Dr. Shoaib Shafi, Vice President, CPSP, Professor Dr. Ayesha Siddiq (Tamgha-e-Imtiaz), DG International Relations, Professor Dr. Asghar Butt, DG Medical Education, Professor Umar Zaman, General Dr. Shehla Baqai and other members of the CPSP council besides the senior medical educationists, gynecologists and physicians from all over the country including Balochistan.

## All Pak CM Gold Cup Football Tournament ends: Wholehearted opportunities of healthy activities being provided to youth, in Balochistan: Domki

Independent Report QUETTA: The caretaker Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki has stated that wholehearted opportunities of healthy activities are being provided to the youth in the province.

The Chief Minister was addressing the closing ceremony of All Pakistan Football Tournament played at the football ground in Ayub Stadium on Sunday afternoon.

He said that the competitions of different sports including football in Quetta are proof of that this land is ambassador of the peace.

He said that the youth of province are second to none in potential. They just need opportunities and proper patronage to excel in the sports and other sectors, he added.



DUKI: Caretaker Health Minister Dr. Ameer Muhammad Khan Jozzezi being briefed by DHO Dr. Muhammad Rafiq during his visit to civil hospital

## Pakistan faces unpredictable events caused by climatic condition: Chairman NDMA

ISLAMABAD (INP): Chairman National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), Lieutenant General Inam Haider Malik HI(M) has said that Pakistan was facing changing climatic condition and frequent recurrence of unpredictable and extreme events.

In his message on "National Resilience Day", he said that we commemorate the occasion with a mission and commitment to advance national preparedness by improving and increasing the nation's resilience to natural and human induced threats.

Li Gen Imam Haider said that to meet disasters caused by climatic challenges, NDMA was proactively working at reducing the vulnerability to disasters, and also providing coping mechanisms and framework for effective disaster management. The disaster management system in Pakistan has traveled a long way in the recent time

## PDM parties doing drama over election date: Khattak

ISLAMABAD (INP): Terming the recent trade of verbal blows and apparently escalating feud among component parties of the Pakistan Democratic Movement (PDM) and key partner of the former government over the poll timing a "drama", Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf Parliamentarians (PTI-P) Chief Pervez Khattak has said that the former ruling alliance is "misleading" the nation.

Addressing a ceremony held on Sunday to mark the formal induction of Pakistan Muslim League-Quaid's (PML-Q) Allama Muhammad Shoaib and his colleagues into the newly-formed party, Khattak — once the close aide of PTI Chairman Imran Khan — said: "The PDM empowered the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) [to fix a date for the general elections in the country] but now they are doing a drama."

## NDMA to dispatch relief items to quake-hit Afghanistan

ISLAMABAD (APP): The National Disaster Management Authority has arranged relief items including food, medicines, tents and blankets as well as Search and Rescue Teams to be dispatched on immediate basis to quake-hit Herat Afghanistan.

This was briefed at a special session of the National Emergency Operations Centre held in Islamabad today.



QUETTA: Caretaker Chief Minister Balochistan Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki giving away trophy to captain of winning team after conclusion of All Pakistan Chief Minister Gold Cup Football Tournament. Caretaker Provincial Minister for Sports Mir Jamal Raisani is also present

## Pak, China agreed to invite third parties' participation in CPEC: Ambassador Haque

BEIJING (APP): The China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), a pilot project of the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) is a game changer and very important for socio-economic development of Pakistan and now, both Pakistan and China have agreed to invite third parties to participate in this project, Pakistan Ambassador to China, Moin ul Haque said on Sunday.

"This project has been a game changer and very important for socio-economic development of the country. Now, our two countries have agreed to invite third parties to participate in this project," he told CCTV in an interview.

"We are now working to extend it to Afghanistan, the neighboring country of both China and Pakistan," he added.

Ambassador Haque said that China is a global leader in terms of many technologies like artificial intelligence, e-commerce, green technologies.

## Sultan says: Role of Pak Army during earthquakes would never be forgotten

MUZAFFARABAD (INP): Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK) President Barrister Sultan Mahmood Chaudhry has said that unparalleled help provided by the Pakistan armed forces to the earthquake victims would never be forgotten by the people of Azad Jammu Kashmir.

In a statement, he said that compensation for the loss of human lives caused by the earthquake was not possible, but the government tried its best to rehabilitate the victims, rebuild and reconstruct the damaged infrastructure. He thanked the international community for its generous support for rescue.

## 128 illegal foreigners held in Quetta operations

QUETTA (INP): As many as 128 illegal foreign nationals were arrested during ongoing operation in different areas of Quetta.

Meanwhile, cases were registered against 38 people under Foreign Act. According to details, as part of mass deportation of illegal Afghan nationals, police continues operations in Quetta.

During separate actions, 128 illegal foreigners were detained and cases were registered against 38 under Foreign Act. Police officials said that data of 33,000 foreigners has been collected so far.

## 13blns money laundering discloses under the guise of solar panels

KARACHI (Online): Directorate of Post Clearance Audit FBR (Federal Board of Revenue) has exposed the money laundering of Rs.13 billion in the name of solar panel import and over invoicing.

According to media reports, the Directorate of Post Clearance Audit FBR Karachi has identified 6 more fake companies of solar panels during the customs clearance audit, and money worth 13 billion rupees has been transferred abroad under the guise of



CHAMAN: Caretaker Chief Minister Balochistan Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki addressing jirga of tribal elders

## Aneeq aims to provide better facilities for Hajj pilgrims

ISLAMABAD (APP): Minister for Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony, Aneeq Ahmed expressed his commitment to continuously strive to provide top-notch travel facilities for Hajj pilgrims.

Speaking in a recent meeting with Caretaker Advisor to the Prime Minister on Aviation, Air Marshal @ Farhat Hussain Malik, he expressed hope that pilgrims would receive encouraging news regarding these efforts soon.

The minister emphasized the responsibility of ensuring travel amenities without compromising on quality. He underlined that their collective objective



QUETTA: Senior Mines Inspector Muhammad Afif addressing participants of Round Table on Safe Mining

## Economic team led by finance minister leaves to Morocco

ISLAMABAD (Online): The economic team headed by caretaker finance minister Shamsad Akhtar left for Morocco today (Sunday). The caretaker Finance Minister and State Bank Governor departed from Karachi while the Finance Secretary left for Morocco from Islamabad.

According to sources in the Ministry of Finance, the economic team will participate in the annual meet-

ings of the World Bank and the IMF. Finance Secretary, Governor State Bank is accompanied by the caretaker Finance Minister, the economic team is scheduled to meet with MDIMF, World Bank President, Asian Development Bank officials.

Sources further said that the caretaker finance minister will discuss the sale of bonds in the international market along with the economic team.

submitted a total of 687 goods declarations to the customs department for the clearance of imported solar panels, out of which 443 goods declarations contain excess prices of imported solar panels. Over-invoicing was revealed and money laundering of 3 billion was done.

Sources said that the said 6 fictitious solar import companies showed the value of solar panels worth 9 billion rupees in the goods declaration at 13 billion.