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The tenth issue of Haqiqat/Truth Newsletter consist 70 topics from the printed media of Kabul. Quantitatively these topics are related to four close themes. Transparency and Corruption each consisting 20 topics, negotiation with government opponents with 18 topics and transitional justice with 12 topics.

Election Transparency: Election Commission's decision based on nullification of some portion of votes of the candidates and carrying on the second round of election, emplacement of the two top candidates on this decision and challenges in carrying on the second round of election are themes of this topic. Possibilities of fraud in the second round and the Dr. Abdullah's declaration of not participating in the second round of election had different reaction among media in Afghanistan. United Nations' endeavor for negotiation and mediation between the two top candidates and Independent Human Rights Commission's recommendations for these candidates are also points for deliberation here. Finally with the declaration of Abdullah's withdrawal from participating in

the second round of election, the Independent Election Commission, relying on the Constitution of the country declared Karzai as the winner of the second round which was also supported by the international community.

Corruption: Proceeding the election and Karzai's victory, its time for appointing the new cabinet and Karzai's action based on his promises to battle corruption in the country. Analysis followed the steps taken by Karzai for this aim and challenges before the new cabinet. Ending corruption and bring fundamental changes in justice system of the country are among the recommendations by the connoisseur and media. Now a part of media supporting the government has criticized the deadlines given by the West to end corruption, and considers corruption in Afghanistan is extensive and breath taking result can be obtained in few months.

Negotiation with government opponents: Media has giving attention in this part to the recommendation of the western countries for negotiation with government opponents, having different analysis and evaluations. According to media this package includes the bifurcation of Taliban in different categories and plans to absorb and give part to Taliban in the government. Furthermore in new plans of negotiation with Taliban, paying money to absorb government opponents has been mentioned as a fruitful way to deal with this group. According to media, some of the countries have allocated 1/3 billion US Dollars for this plan. Here, the commission for strengthening peace has also mentioned the result they have gained in this regard and considers using the experience of this commission as a fruitful way to absorb government opponents.

Transitional Justice: In continuance of election and political transformation in Afghanistan, several nations and international organization defendant of human rights have asked Karzai to avoid the entrance of warlord and war criminals in the cabinet and government. Now what is the definition of warlords according to these authorities? According to a part of media, the western countries in order to filter some of the local actors have taken this issue as a pretext to avoid their entrance in the government.



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Transitional Justice

Karzai's new game with his national patrons

Mandagar Daily, number-175, page-6, November 2009 Author: Ahmad Omran

It is rumored that creation of a sound administration and criticism on Karzai are part of a game schemed by Karzai and his international allies in Afghanistan. This political game is to confute and avoid the participation of Karzai's national patrons in power. In this way Karzai want to tell his national patrons, who are mostly termed as warlord by international community, that he has no problem with them but the international community would leave Afghanistan and also stop helping her with their existence. These are the prominent evidence of the sayings that, Karzai has started his subtle political game with his national patrons. The game in which, losers are those leaders and influential personalities in Afghanistan, having supported Karzai during the election hoping to get a seat in his new cabinet. Soon it will be evident that Karzai's national patron will not only have seat in the cabinet but also new ways will be paved for their destruction. Ways like the administering transitional justice, litigation from war victims and bringing to justice violators of human rights.

Serious danger threatens Karzai

Mandagar Daily, number-174, page-8, November 9, 2009

One of the conditions of the foreigners are that there should be not warlords in the new cabinet, Muzhda says: all those spent from the national treasury and have committed treason are not warlords; some of them have came from the West and some of these individuals who have received these money have transferred it to the western countries; therefore not only the government of Afghanistan but also organizations of the United Nation are also party to corruption.

Masood, lecturer of Kabul University says: "by these conditions, westerners want to have political use and want to remove individuals from Karzai's cabinet who can not maintain west's interest in Afghanistan, but the problem is that these conditions have created huge challenges for Karzai". In Masood's believe, those supported Karzai to gain power are individuals termed as warlords by international community. That's why Karzai can't fulfill West's demand, he mentioned that: West know that Karzai can not do this, therefore they have put such conditions to bring pressure on him and want to exhibit a weak government and a weak president in Afghanistan.

Karzai in between two difficult choices

Nukhust Daily, number-194, page-1, November 8, 2009

The first challenge facing Karzai is his transaction made with tribal heads and Jihadi leader for his victory in the election. Based on the claims of some tribal heads Karzai, in return for their support, has

promised them a specific seat in the ministries. Marshall Qaseem Faheem, first deputy president of Hamid Karzai, who has been accused of corruption and war crimes by the former American authorities and Human Rights Watch organization, given that individuals like him and General Dostum's presence in Karzai's second term will limit the chances of limiting corruption.

Foreigners put pressure on Karzai so that his new cabinet should be free of corruption. Naturally it may include the democratic attitude of cabinet ministers as well, for West has firmly asked Karzai that there should be no room for the warlords and violators of human rights in his cabinet. Kai Aide has specifically said that, the warlords and violators of human rights should not be part of the upcoming government of Karzai.

Six days after victory; Initial signs of mutiny or anger?

8 Subh Daily, number-720, page-2, November 8, 2009

Henceforth there are anxieties pertaining international community's honesty for pressures put on Karzai. The international community should not look on the phenomena of warlord as political means if they want to bring reform and prevent corruption in Afghanistan. The international community was in serious contradiction in the past 8 years, speaking of battling with warlords from one side and supporting them from the other. Now its better that the international community should transparently and clearly name all those accused of violating human rights and mall administration in the previous decades and should stand against their political presence.

Support and expectation of international community Reform opportunities in Karzai's new government

Bakhtar Daily, number-108, page-1, November 7, 2009

Kai Aide, United Nation's special envoy to Afghanistan, speaking to media on Thursday said that, United Nation does not want the warlords to have part in the new government of Afghanistan. Although there is no unanimity of ideas as to what is the definition of warlord or who are part of this category in the current situation, and some of nations uses this term as a weapon to put pressure on the government of Afghanistan. Yet, it is to see what will be Kai Aide and United Nation's definition of warlords and their stand on the presence of warlords in the government. But the people of Afghanistan want the difficulties of the past not to be used as a means.

Everything is tradable here

8 Subh Daily, number-720, page-2, November 8, 2009 Author: Zia Zeerak

At times Karzai accuses some of the western countries for



supporting local commanders. Some of these commanders are considered harmful and are dropped from the cabinet by him at a particular point of time. But at a point of time he forms a collation with these commanders to increase his power in the election.

In the past it was well established truth that the west wanted Karzai to avoid conflict with these corrupt and law breaker commanders and reasoned it as for the stability of Afghanistan. But now in a positive move the West encourages the president in non-collation with the commanders.

The new cabinet at the verge of formation European Union: "there should be no warlords"

Mandagar Daily, number-176, page-1, November 11, 2009

Karl Belt, chairperson of European Union said in Kabul that, he is against the presence of warlord in the new administration of Afghanistan, but Rangin Dadfar Spanta criticized western countries of their dual treatment with individuals what they call "warlords".

Spanta said: although he does not support these individuals, but the stand of the western world pertaining 'warlords' is different from the past seven months.

He, with regard to the international community's representatives' prevention of encounter with these individuals, said: individuals taking part in the holy war against the outsider or person party with Taliban should be helped so that they should continue to life peacefully with other people by accepting the Constitution.

Spanta mentioned that: "the foreign countries should not protect a person and regard him good and change their belief with respect to the same person the next days for their own interests".

Sweden's minister for foreign affairs said, "Afghanistan needs few warlords and more peace promoters."



Who have crawled behind the slogan of anti-warlords?

Nukhust Daily, number-198, page-2, November 12, 2009 Author: Dastgir Panjshiri

In the beginning of the contribution and formation of fundamentalist organizations by Pakistani military, Saudi Arabia with the support of England and leadership of United States, Tatcher, the conservative prime minister of England, called the warriors of this fundamentalist organizations as 'holy warriors' in Khayber valley. But after the tragedy of September the 11th and suppression of Taliban, al Qaeda and Pakistani militia triangle by united front and American Air force a weak, temporary and interim or according to Karzai an elective government was established, with the military expedition, presence and infiltration of United States, NATO members and international community. The officers of anti-Taliban front were disarmed by orders and prohibition of General Musharraf, Hamid Gul, Nasirullah Babar and other Pakistani general, old and new English conservatives, Afghan-Americans and Lakhzar Ibrahimi and were made with any role, which purred water in water mill of Taliban. The anti-warlord slogans of the ruling circle was to disarm the warriors of Hindu Kosh valley, Amu, Hari-rod, Hazaristan, and the rearmament of the brutal, antiliberty and violent Taliban through the Commission for Strengthening Peace headed by Sebghatullah Mujadadi and financial contribution of England.

Dual stand of West against warlords

8 Subh Daily, number-726, page-1, November 15, 2009

Western governments are worried of the return of influential warlords in Karzai's government and have warned Karzai in this regards in different stages. Spanta, minister for the foreign affairs of Afghanistan has also said that: 'West has a dual stand against the warlords, supporting one of their party and criticizing the other who are united with Karzai'. Of course there is nothing new in this topic for us and there is belief in its honesty. But with out doubt the commanders and their references are not involved in all embezzlement occurring in the agreements and purchases taking place in the ministries of Afghanistan.

America's scheme to absorb insurgents; grounds for greater corruption

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Mandagar Daily, number-181, page-1, November 17, 2009

Wahid Muzhda speaking on the proposal of United Nations regarding the non-existence of warlords in the new cabinet says; those termed as warlords having been supporting the government and honestly serving the American in the past seven years should not have part in the government; but those who fought and killed international soldier in the past seven should have part in the government, are issues which indicates that the Americans are in huge confusion in Afghanistan.



National Allies Or international objectors?!

Rah-e-Nejat Daily, number-1312, page-3, November 16, 2009

Karzai got the highest votes from among the candidates for the second time with the support of influential tribal heads. In reality it was these influential people who guided Karzai to presidency, exactly those who are termed as warlords by the west, who are present in the cabinet from the higher to lower ranks and people, especially, those who were living in the country are acquainted with their faces. From one side the survival of Karzai's government is directly dependent of the material and military support of the west and with its cut off there are no hopes for the continuance of this sovereignty for long, while on the other side, the West has no good relation with the Mujahideen leader who paved ground for him in reaching power, who will certainly demand their shares as promised by Karzai.

Dr. Fazlullah Mujadadi, member of the lower chamber of the parliament from Logar province says in this regard that: Karzai's attention to international point of view is important, having crucial significance for the survival of his government, than his national allies. Therefore he is attempting to take decisions satisfying their demands than others'. Certainly attempt should be made to consider the demands of Jihadis as well to a limit. It is logical to form a government considering the demands of both parties; for the western politicians came to believe that, the influence of those accused of war crime should not taken light. They have certainly reached this conclusion that with out taking their consent, they will face many challenges, for till date they are supported not only by local people but also receive support from outside the country.

Finally; Mujadadi asked Russia's support

Nukhust Daily, number-202, page-1, November 17, 2009

His Excellency Mujadadi, the flag bearer of Jihad (holy war) against Soviet Union, visited Russia to receive help for bringing peace and reconstruction of Afghanistan. There is information that the government of Afghanistan is secretly trying to come together with Russia, the inheritor of Soviet Union, so that Russia play the role of United States in the region. United States is also aware of it. No doubt they are making dots with magnifying glasses. With this secret negotiation the country is entry a new convulsive relation with world. His Excellency Mujadadi wanted war indemnity from Russia yesterday, and now something else.



Negotiation with armed Opposition Groups

Can Karzai and the international community negotiate with Taliban in 100 days?

The Daily Afghanistan, number-940, page-4, November 10, 2009 Author: Muhammad Amin Mirzad

Before the Independent Election Commission announced Karzai, the current president of Afghanistan, as the victor of the second phase of the election, Karzai had said, that in case of winning anew the presidential election he is hopeful to negotiate with Taliban in the first 100 days of his presidency.

Before the conclusive announcement of Afghanistan's election result, in the session called by the ministers of the European Union member countries, tabled negotiation with Taliban as a principle. Taking that United States and England are among countries supporting negotiation with Taliban, yet receive the highest amount of casualties from them. Still United States and European Union could not have a comprehensive plan for negotiation with Taliban. Among them Obama's design for negotiation with Taliban which was announced earlier, is the peace and negotiation plans that were carried by the Americans in Iraq with Sunni Arabs.



People:

Taliban has no moderate or extremist

8 Subh Daily, number-722, page-4, November 10, 2009 Author: Zafar Shah Royee

With the authorities of the government and heads of some countries bifurcating Taliban into moderate and extremist, people believe that there are no moderates or extremists in Taliban, but its entire member are the same. To find a way to negotiate with Taliban and to end violence, one of the preconditions proposed to Taliban is the acceptance of the Constitution. Although the authorities in government have promised complete immunity to all those Taliban joining the peace process, yet Taliban has not confirmed the existence of moderate and extremist among them.



Details of confidential document relating to Britain's reconciliation with Taliban

8 Subh Daily, number-721, page-2, November 9, 2009

In parts of the confidential documents from the government of Britain to government of Afghanistan received by 8 Subh Daily, Britain in reconciliation with Taliban has asked president Karzai to make ways for the combination and participation of Taliban in a period of two years. This document has divided the methods of reconciliation with Taliban in three parts. According to the tactical part which consist low rank Taliban combatants and commanders to return to civil living, the operational part consist of the medal and high rank Taliban and the strategic part



consist of reconciliation with "Quetta Committee". This document has foresighted reconciliation with Taliban in the following time table.

A new bureau should be formed in three months time for the tactical annexation of Taliban which must be jointly approval by Afghanistan and international community. International fund should be gathered for the support of this new bureau and the international community should support it with its clear preconditions (the insurgents willing to join must follow their aims in peaceful manners through a political process, drop their weapons and should not have connections with terrorist networks like al Qaeda). An alternative means should be prepared for the supporters of Taliban through the formation of moderate Islamic party so that the Taliban joining the government should get its membership. Furthermore Taliban joining this process must be able to participate in the parliamentary and district elections. The name of joining Taliban must be removed from the United Nation's black list. A Loya Jirga (Grand Assembly) should be called in Kabul in two years time to discourse on the Constitution and Bonn Agreement and reach mutual consent. United Nation welcomes this Loya Jirga and will remove the name of joining Talibans from the black list.

Article 5 of this document has asked the government of Afghanistan to have a neutral relation with its neighbor and should not befriend and unite with the enemies of hers neighbors. Interestingly "Quetta Committee" has been officially mentioned in this document by the government of Britain. (This means that such a committee exist that the government of Britain has officially mentioned it in this confidential document.)

This negotiation and reconciliation with lower and middle rank



Taliban and their return to normal civil life should be a principle aim of the future government of Afghanistan, but, the Taliban leaders who according to their ideology do not want to step back and having parts in the schemes of terrorist operations should not be given the opportunity to annex with Afghanistan's society nor should they be given a part in the government. More ever reconciliation and negotiation with Taliban without taking into consideration the trail of those Taliban having part in organized crime against human rights and killings of people and destruction of the country, can not be converted into a stable and trustworthy process. If reconciliation and negotiations are carried without considering the fundamental and principle element of justice, there is no guarantee that the felony of Taliban will not be repeated by individuals and groups.

What Karzai must do now?

Cheragh, number-1429, page, November 2009

Effort must be made to create an institution at province and district level from among tribal leaders, neutral religious leaders and other influential individuals apart from commission under the leadership of Sebghatullah Mujadadi to mediate between the government and discontented elements fighting against the government. There should be no restriction if Taliban support this group and the head of Afghanistan's people. Without remission from both party negotiations have no meaning and will not reach a conclusion. Summoning of Loya Jirga would be a great opportunity to establish such an institution.

International community's support and expectation Reform opportunities in Karzai's new government

Bakhtar Daily, number-108, page-1, November 7, 2009

Mr. Brown Ti speaking at the Royal College of Defensive Studies said that in his view president Karzai should perform five key tasks: campaign against corruption, fortify security force, advance reconciliation, promote economic development and establishing further cooperation with Pakistan. Among these five points, emphasis on reconciliation with Taliban and close cooperation with Pakistan are two conditions that Britain is believed to have greater role in fulfilling than Afghanistan. Because it is believed that Britain apart from customary diplomatic relation has got special relation with I.S.I. and Taliban, and therefore wants to see Afghanistan from the point of view of Islamabad and her special relation with Pakistan has got greater priority. A number of Afghan analyst believe that Britain's view of Taliban close to I.S.I's view, considers Taliban as a strategic interest of Pakistan in Afghanistan.

New face of reconciliation strategy with Taliban

Nukhust Daily, number-197, page1, November 11, 2009

The commission for strengthening peace has been able in eight years to bring larger number of Taliban to normal life by paying

them money and other privileges. There is anxiety now that Afghanistan will drown in sewage of extremism again, if United States accept Taliban's wants and a government is shaped in Afghanistan based of fundamentalist wants of Taliban. This anxiety has been brought to life again, that Afghanistan will be lift to religious extremists, because there are circles of view in the West believing that the people of Afghanistan can not accept democracy and a government should be brought in this land aroused of tribal views.

A Taliban group of 9 individuals joined the government

Rah-i-Nejat Daily, number-1308, page-2, November 11, 2009

Samonwal Abdur-Rahman Aftash, Qundoz province head of security, said that, a group 9 Taliban surrendered to the government in the Qala-i-Zal district of this province. He continued that, the cause of disorganization of Taliban in district is the return of Muhammad Nabi Gichi, a former Jihadi, for he has performed several operations against Taliban with the support of government.

With response to new demands Karzai will place ointment on old wounds?

Rah-e-Nejat Daily, number-1311, page-3, November 15, 2009

England has entered this phase more seriously and apart from supporting the process of removing Karzai's political dependents from power, has also presented an accurate plan to the government of Afghanistan after the arrogant speech of Gordon Brown. According to scattered reports published, England's plan is a three stage plan which will pave way for the moderate or particularly the Taliban in touch with them to power. According to evidences, Karzai has also not the tendency to give part to some branches of Taliban in the government, but he also has no tendency to depart his supporters, most of them Mujahideens and adversaries who are against the participation of Taliban in government, making his party weak by the appearance of Taliban in political scene.

United States scheme to absorb insurgents, intriguing further corruption

Mandagar Daily, number-181, page 1, November 16, 2009

Wahid Muzhda, a political expert, says: United States has always been confused while dealing with Afghanistan, and this confusion caused them say sometimes that, we will pay the moderate Talibans, negotiate with them and sometimes say that we will not negotiate with individuals who do not accept the Constitution.

Pointing to England's proposal for negotiation with Taliban, Najib Mahmood, lecturer of Kabul University, says: England's view of Afghanistan is not only winning the war but they also believe on dialogue and are interested to bring some of the Taliban circles to the government, if a collation government is formed.

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Taliban's share in Karzai's cabinet

Mandagar Daily, number-179, page-1, November 14, 2009

Resources have informed Mandagar Daily that, struggles to give share to Taliban in Karzai's new government have started. According to resources, conversation and negotiations are going on so that Taliban find themselves participated in the new government in some manner. According to informed individuals, possibilities are there that one or two Taliban representatives like Mullah Mutawakil or Mullah Za'eef may be in Karzai's new government as ministers.

Reconciliation with Taliban; why and how?

8 Subh Daily, number-728, page-2, November 17, 2009 Author: Dawood Muradiyan

We have two types of reconciliation: reconciliation at higher levels and reconciliation at lower levels. We have concentrated at lower level reconciliation in the past eight years. But we neglected reconciliation at higher level, which means dialogue with Pakistan to encourage them not to support Taliban. In other word, this process should include both pressure and invitation. Invitation of Taliban should be Afghanistan's responsibility but pressure should be from Pakistan. We should view the process of strengthening peace as a means and device to fight Taliban not to annex Taliban movement into the political process of the country, normal life, or to the worst scenario of sharing power with them or other strategy in the region, as the failed agreement of Pakistan and Taliban approves it. This geographical limit shall never satisfy Taliban as a movement with ideology of integrity. Peace strengthening program should include schemes of deterging extremism. Possibilities are there that Taliban joining the peace process may annex with their previous masters because they have not be examined whether they still have the same interpretation of Islam or not. In other words, illegalizing Taliban's interpretation of Islam and terrorist activity of Taliban should be part of the all-round strategy for battling Taliban and peace strengthening process program.

Independent Commission for Strengthening Peace With modification in the mutual proposals, a fruitful ground should be created between Taliban and government

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Rah-e-Nejat Daily, number-1312, page-1, November 16, 2009

Sayed Sharif Yousaf, director of Independent Commission for Strengthening Peace's office said: The director of this commission has several times invited the heads of government opponents like Mullah Omar and Gulbudin Hikmatyar by ending their opposition should create grounds for peace and tranquility in the country; because in both case, they are leaders and member of the society and without denial have great influence on portions of the nation.

He continued: If the government and international community

had supported us no doubt we could have reached greater success, for the experience we have gained in this way with government's support we can form new rooms for negotiation with propound Taliban leaders and other circles of government opponents.

He continued that its to point that the conditions that Taliban emphasis on are not necessarily applicable nor do the Taliban agrees with major portion of the government's proposal, but we should try to create grounds for fruitful negotiation by bringing modification in the mutual proposal so free Afghanistan from the current crisis.

He included in respect to the activities of this commission, that: More than eight thousand government opponents have joined this process, left war and have returned to normal life from the beginning of this commission's activities. Yousaf continued that, nine hundred individuals who were imprisoned in the political prisons of Guantanamo, Bagram and Pol-i-Charkhi, without commitment of any crime and without investigation and inspection, were freed with the efforts of this commission.

In response to the question that, what guarantee is there that they will not join government opponents, he said: Basically these individuals are introduced to us through the heads of local tribes, by obliging these individuals they (heads of local tribes) assure us that they will be steady in their promises. We have also taken certain precautions as such that the government is required to protect and provide other services to the surrendered groups.

The preliminary list of cabinet members has been reviewed thrice until now

Nukhust daily, number-102, page-1, November 17, 2009 Ahmad Saee'di

United States, Britain and France are three countries having suggested Karzai with specific scheme on the formation of the new government in Afghanistan. A close source to president Karzai said to Nukhust Daily that: after Karzai's victory these countries handed Karzai with specific recommendations consisting the formation of cabinet, schemes dealing with Taliban, methods of battling corruption and sound governance. Britain has practically supported Taliban's entrance in the political system and asked Karzai to drop some of the well know faces who supported Karzai during the election in its proposal. The close source to Karzai says: its mentioned text of the proposal that the process of entering Taliban in the political structure of the country should start from middle rank Taliban leaders and in the next phase top rank leaders should enter into the system.

The source continued that Hamid Karzai has explicitly opposed the entrance of Taliban in the political structure of the country as mentioned in Britain's proposal, and has said that Britain wants to drive away leaders and influential Mujahideens from him with this scheme because its clear that Mujahideen and Taliban leader will never sit together in the cabinet meetings.



Government opponents uniting with Peace Strengthening process

8 Subh Daily, number-727, page-6, November 16, 2009 Author: Zafar Shah Royee

Commission for Peace Strengthening says, that the director of this commission had invited leaders of Taliban and Hizb-i-Islami to join the government of Afghanistan four and a half years back, while international community and government authorities have started the invitation now. Sayed Sharif Yousafi said: "today after four and a half years the international community confirms the call of Peace Strengthen Commission for national unity. If international community and the government of Afghanistan had supported our aims, certainly we could have secured peace throughout Afghanistan." This commission says that, efforts to annex a larger number of Taliban and Hizb-i-Islami members to the government is carried out throughout the country with the help and support of twenty three thousand tribal leaders.

Annexation of 75 armed insurgent with the government

Nukhust Daily, number-201, page-1, November 16, 2009 Author: Noorullah Walizada

The Commission for Strengthening Peace says that, 75 armed government opponents joined peace process after the negotiation between both parties reached a desired conclusion. Among this 75 armed individuals, 30 of them were from Ghazni, 20 from Logar, 10 from Wardak, 10 from Kapisa and the remaining 5 individuals from Nangrahar provinces. According the mentioned commission 25 of these individuals belonged to Hizb-i-Islami and the rest belonged to Taliban groups. Among them Mawlawi Juma Gul belonged to leadership of Taliban in Ghazni province, whom according to the commission had decisive role in insecurity of the province and his abandonment from opposition with the government will help decreasing insecurity in Ghazni.

With denial of providing any privilege to the joining individuals by the authorities of the Commission in Kabul, Fazl Ahmad Toluak, director of the Commission's office in Ghazni said that, "the governor of Ghazni will distributed a piece of land to those Taliban joining the peace process".

Annexation of insurgents with winter peace process!

Nukhust Daily, number-101, page-2, November 16, 2009

With the arrival of winter season and the continuance of battle against Taliban and insurgents in Northern and Southern Waziristan by the Army of Pakistan, there is no guarantee that the symbolic annexation of insurgents with the government, receiving money and again continuing their terrorists activities using the political guarantee that is provided by the Commission. The annexation of insurgents with the government

and their return to Taliban lines has been converted to a sort of tribute from the government for securing the expenditures of the insurgents than a multi-dimensional process and means to help secure stability for Afghanistan.

Is Britain's scheme practical?

8 Subh Daily, number-723, page-5, November 11, 2009 Author: Qodratullah Jawed

Muhammad Aseem, representative of Baghlan province in parliament, believes that earlier too Britain had presented a similar scheme to the government of Afghanistan which consisted of giving share to Taliban in local authorities and creation of an autonomous region for the Taliban which was rejected by Afghanistan.

Aseem included: Any secret negotiation as a result of recommendatory scheme or program by one or two foreign countries will put to question the independence of Afghanistan, even if these schemes are supported by circles in the government, people will not accept it and will not yield result as well. According to Aseem the government had no specific scheme for negotiation with Taliban in the past eight years. Aseem included that: First the government should prepare the framework of negotiation. Secondly any negotiation should be done directly with leaders of Taliban and of the opposition. If we give it phases, like first lower ranks, then middle ranks and finally high rank leaders, it will prolong war. Also we will not secure peace easily.



Elections Transparency



Peter Galbright: Members of election commission must be altered

Mandagar Daily, number-162, page-1, October 26, 2009

Peter Galbright, American diplomat and former assistant of the United Nation's office in Kabul said that, the election institution must be independent. It will effect the result of elections, if the individuals appointed by Hamid Karzai, the ruling candidate, have complete control of the election process. In Galbright's belief, in any case of fraud it was these members of the commission who have helped the fraudulent or have not announced the fraud reports. All this members, and not only 200 members of them, must be altered.

He mentioned: the tasks to reduce the possibilities of fraud in votes, is not being performed by the election commission, and this the same situation encountered in the in the first round which resulted in annulling a huge number of votes.

Transfer of provision materials completed to provinces

Musharikat-i-Milli Daily, number-334, page-8, October 26, 2009

Afghanistan Election Commission says that, transfer of election provision materials have been completed to 24 provinces of Afghanistan. According to Noor Muhammad Noor, spokesperson of the Commission, this material includes, voting paper, dye and other materials needed for election. The Election Commission of Afghanistan says that, these election materials were mostly transferred by air to the provinces of the country. It is considered that road transportation and

quadruped will mostly be used to transfer these materials to districts.

Karzai:

The second round of election adopted is for peace maintenance

Musharikat-i-Milli Weekly, number-334, page 8, October 26, 2009

Karzai asserted that the election was pure in general, but the decision for the second round of election was adopted for maintenance of peace, stability and the future of democracy in Afghanistan. He said, his decision in this respect is related to the maintenance of administrative order for Afghanistan's future and according to him his decision is for the benefit of Afghanistan's people. Karzai said that, he wants to form an extensive government and if Dr. Abdullah wants to work in his government, he is welcomed.

Who doesn't want the second round of election?

Rah-i-Farda Daily, number-61, page-2, October 27, 2009

It is said that some foreign circles are also there who tried to create problem for second round election and to drag away Afghanistan from its legitimate political transformation process by misusing Abdullah's critical situation. Apart from some neighboring countries which are seeking their strategic interests in the instability and insecurity of Afghanistan, a number of western countries also want to reach their demands by preventing the victory of one among the two candidates. In reality these countries neither want Karzai nor Abdullah, but want to create anxiety and special conditions to perform other programs which are against the constitution and people's desire, by stoning the legitimate political process of the country.

Growth of anxiety for the possibilities of fraud anew in the Afghanistan's election

Erada Daily, number-1693, page-1, October 31, 2009

The recent decision of the dominants in Afghanistan has wondered United Nations' employees and western diplomats in Afghanistan. With the United Nation's recommendations, the government of Afghanistan will establish 150 polling centers for the second round of presidential election in 7th November. United Nations recommended that the polling centers where the participation of people was low because of the security concerns and those where extensive fraud was done should not be used. The election commission's this decision is a sort of making face to the United Nations. Abdullah Abdullah has said that, he will participate in the elections if the director of the

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election commission is not altered and 500 polling centers are not closed.

Afghans are going to the polling centers again Karzai-Abdullah's rivalry in the shadow of Taliban's onslaughts

Erada Daily, number-1693, page-3, October 31, 2009

In spite of Nato and US army's struggles to confine Taliban's attacks, this group is obliged to intensify their attacks in threshold of the second round of presidential elections of Afghanistan. Yousaf Qari, spokesperson of Taliban, said in this regard that: we will intensify our attacks in the coming days. We will derange elections. We have new schemes and tactics for the second round of elections.

Dorman excitements in the week before elections

Daily 8 Subh, number-713, page-1, October 31, 2009

What will be the society's stand, if Dr. Abdulla doesn't participate in the elections and the second round election is carried out only with the presence of Karzai. From other side, it is not clear whether there is a scheme to replace Abdullah with a third candidate. Of course the replacement of Dr. Abdullah with a third candidate is not possible willfully and with the will of Election Commission or political circles. It is subject to formalities, if done, may need time and will further delay elections. Things which increased the But and Ifs of election, are the activities of some political circles to attract common opinions to call a Jirga to form transitional government under the leadership of individuals apart from Dr. Abdullah or Hamid Karzai. Although the gathering of Zulmai Khalilzad's supporter was deranged without any result last week in Kabul, but made it clear that there are other options before some political circles apart from elections which may challenge election personnel, statesmen and politicians close to the government.

Election arguments reached the Parliament

Daily 8 Subh, number-714, page-3, November 1, 2009

Muhammad Younas Qanooni, speaker of the house of representative said yesterday that, because of difference of opinions among the representative with regard to sensitive issue causing tension and anxiety in the house, doesn't want to discuss it in floor of the house. Qanooni added that, expressing ideas regarding elections will double the election crisis in the country. But insistently some of the representative argued that nationwide fraud was committed during the 29 ASAD elections and both the candidates participating in the second round elections have committed frauds according to their abilities. But Muhammad Younas Qanooni, speaker of the house of representative emphasized that, based on the house's four years experience the house may be led to a deadlock because of the difference of opinion among the representatives and their support for these two candidates, if

a decision is taken regarding any of the two candidates.

If the election is boycotted

Daily 8 Subh, number-714, page-3, November 1, 2009 Author: Jaghory

The elections will be more like a referendum than adopting the nomenclature of elections with the existence of one candidate. In this manner, the presence of one candidate in election takes the shape of referendum, something not mentioned in the Constitution. Without doubt, people may ill-receive the participation of one candidate in the second round of election, this may also put to question the legitimacy of election and the system. The second round election, apart from boycott is also faced with problems like cold weather, insecurity and decline of United Nations' employees.

UN is mediating between Karzai and Abdullah

Basoyee Farda Daily, number-63, page-2, November 1, 2009

Hafeez Mansour, member of Abdullah's election campaign reported the negotiation between Hamid Karzai and Abdullah Abdullah's team with the mediation of UNAMA and said; this negotiations started 3 days ago and still continues.

Member of Abdullah's election campaign team expressed that: there are huge differences between the two parties to reach a final result but they are hopeful that the negotiation should reach a result.

Independent Human Rights Commission's reference for the two election candidates:

Do not make the process critical

Nukhust Daily, number-188, page-1, November 1, 2009

Dr. Sima Samar, head of the Independent Human Rights Commission, said to the reporters that: the Independent Human Rights Commission will support the second round of presidential election in Afghanistan based on the implementation of law, transparency of election and people's vote which is regarded as people's right.

She continued: Respecting people's vote considered as people's right, implementation of law by both presidential candidates, neutrality of election commission, ensuring security by national security forces in coordination with international forces on Election Day, mass participation of women which is considered as their political right, overall supervision by national and international supervisors are recommendations of this commission. Sima Samar, referring to Abdullah's boycott of election if his demands are not fulfilled by Karzai, made it clear that: Afghanistan Human Rights wants that both presidential candidate should honor the votes and destiny of people of Afghanistan and should consider the current situation of Afghanistan and should not make is process critical.



Dr. Abdullah Abdullah, will boycott elections today?

Nukhust Daily, number-188, page-1, November 1, 2009

Spokespersons of Dr. Abdullah Abdullah's election campaign teams have informed media that this candidate of the second round presidential election is intended to enter the 16 Aqrab election scenes. A close source to Hamid Karzai, who didn't want to disclose his identity informed Nukhust Daily that, the negotiations between Hamid Karzai and Dr. Abdullah are going on from the past two days, but without any consents on the Dr. Abdullah's precondition to join the second round elections. Ahmad Wali Masood, senior advisor to Dr. Abdullah Abdullah, declared that there are anxieties regarding the existence of extensive fraud in the second round elections as well, which has forced Abdullah to boycott elections.

Election crisis sank the society into anxiety again

Afghanistan Daily, number-932, page-5, November 1, 2009

Homayoun Hamidzada, government spokesperson, in latest statement pertaining Dr. Abdullah's conditions said that, if Dr. Abdullah's conditions are in accordance with the law, Hamid Karzai and everyone has the duty to accept them. He continued that, until now no document or justified reasons are presented for the implementation of these conditions, but if these conditions were not in accordance to the law or not supported by documents and adequate and acceptable evidences, Dr. Abdullah should give us the right to continue our way according to the law. At the same time, some of the political experts believe that, before this Dr. Abdullah should have executed his demand through lawful channels by presenting documents and evidences. From other side, some believe that Abdullah's conditions are in reality is an escape from appearing from the second round elections, for its proved for Abdullah that by appearing in election he will not be able to acquire adequate votes for presidency. Therefore, with the pretext that his conditions are not fulfilled he may restraint with dignity from appearing in the second round election.

Election Commission: Non of the candidates have the rights to boycott elections

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Afghanistan Daily, number-932, page-1, November 1, 2009

In-charges of Afghanistan Independent Election Commission said: none of the candidates of 16 Aqrab elections have the rights to boycott it. Noor Muhammad Noor, spokesperson of this commission in an interview with Sada-i-Azadi Radio, in reaction to reports based on the possibility of boycotting elections by Dr. Abdullah, said that, they have full preparation for the second round elections, and according to him, none of these candidates have the rights to boycott election according to the law.

Second round elections will be carried out

Bakhtar Daily, number-105, page-3, November 2, 2009

In threshold of second round of election, some experts believe

that Americans are paving ground for the inauguration of Loya Jirga and establishment of interim government.

Wahid Muzhda, a political expert said a few days ago that, the Americans are trying to drag the country towards Loya Jirga and interim government.

Moen Marastyal, member of the lower chamber from Kundoz believes that, inauguration of Loya Jirga has no connection with elections and can be inaugurated only by the President's order in accordance with the articles of the Constitution. He says that, this issue is in the jurisdiction of the president and not the foreigners. He says that, President Karzai is busy with the second round of elections and this issue is not tabled by him.

30 hours after Abdullah's change of view from the second round of election; Karzai is declared as president for the next five years

Nukhust Daily, number-190, page-1, November 3, 2009

Azizullah Lodin, while reading the declaration of the independent election commission on Monday evening in Kabul said: based on the reason that Hamid Karzai got the highest votes among the candidates in the primary round of the election and his rival, Abdullah Abdullah's, non-participation in the second round of elections, in accordance with the law and escape from troubling the system, Hamid Karzai is the President of Afghanistan.

Lodin said: In spite of problems and security concerns, the Independent Election Commission had all the preparation for the second round of election and there are no technical problems for the second round elections, but the law explicitly says that the second round of election should be between the two candidates getting the highest votes in the primary round, but we have only Hamid Karzai for the second round, therefore he is the victor of the election.

The director of Independent Election Commission specified that there is no prediction in the Constitution regarding the percentage of vote for winning the second round of election, based on it, Karzai, having the highest votes from the primary round of election, is considered as the president-elect of Afghanistan.

Director of Independent Election Commission: "Hamid Karzai is the president-elect of Afghanistan"

Nukhust Daily, number-190, page-1, November 3, 2009

After Abdullah's give up, UN secretary general, Ban Ki Moon's arrival in Afghanistan created suppositions that Mr. Moon has brought to Kabul with him a prescription to end up the post-election crisis and members of Karzai's campaign team had declared that with Ban ki Moon's arrival to Kabul, Karzai will be declared the president of Afghanistan.

According to the Director of Election Commission, the decision of Karzai's victory was taken based on the article 16 and 156 of



the Constitution after Abdullah's exit from the rivalry scene creating serious challenges for the commission and the people of Afghanistan.

Dr. Abdullah: Karzai's victory has not legal base

Daily 8 Subh, number-718, page-2, November 5, 2009

Dr. Abdullah said in a press conference that, the Independent Election Commission's decision is illegal. Dr. Abdullah said: "two days earlier, elections couldn't went to its second stage because of the lack of trust and partiality of the election commission and election was not held on the specific time, this commission has decided the appointment of the President. This decision has no legal base." Dr. Abdullah made clear that even if the commission's action had legal base it was not in its jurisdiction to appoint the president.

Although Dr. Abdullah declared the victory of Karzai based on an illegal decision, but did not say anything about its legitimacy and left it to the people's decision.

From other side, Dr. Abdullah emphasizing on the continuation of his struggles said that, a government formed by illegal decision can not be a law enforcer in the country.

Conditioned support of the international community from the government

Daily 8 Subh, number-718, page-2, November 5, 2009

A day after UN supported Election Commission's decision, Kai Aide informs of conditioned support of this organization to Hamid Karzai. Kai Aide in statement said yesterday: "if positive changes are not evident with the formation of the new Afghan government, arguments and discussion regarding the justification of international community's support for this country may face greater problems than earlier." At the same time Barack Obama, the US president, has asked Karzai that he will lose United States' assistance if reforms are not made in the next six months. It is said that the removal of Karzai's brother from the provincial council of Kandahar and serious reforms in cabinet are parts of the American demands.





Mike Moland Corrupt authorities in Afghanistan must be punished

Mandagar Daily, number-172, page-6, November 7, 2009

Head of the combined army staff of United States declared the corrupt authorities must be arrest and must be punished. General Mike Moland said: Hamid Karzai must arrest and punish corrupt authorities.

But and Ifs of the cabinet

Towards Tomorrow Daily, number-68, page-1, November 7, 2009

Government opponents have indirectly expressed their expectations from the president, with this Hamid Karzai spoke of national participation in this first speech after being elected anew as the president, such expectations from government opponents have been tabled more seriously.

International community's commitment received negative impression

Rah-i-Nijat Daily, number-1304, page-1, November 7, 2009

Kai Aide, special envoy of United Nation's secretary general, while warning Hamid Karzai's new government declared in a press conference that: "without reforms in the new government, international community's assistance and commitment will receive negative impression."

He added that, reforms like, improvement in security and political situation, uprooting corruption, capacity building of departments of government, selection of the cabinet member based on merit, are truths that must be implemented other wise, international community's commitment towards Afghanistan may face challenges.

Corruption

Karzai

Advisory and Programming Board must be formed by the end of this week

Nukhust Daily, number-193, page-1, November 7, 2009

A high authority of the president's office said that, president Karzai ordered that 'advisory board, board for programming, anti-corruption, anti-narcotics and ways to better the security of the country for the initial six month of the new government, must be formed by the end of this week.

The source adds: The advisory and programming board which supposed to work on quick programs to uproot or at least reduce corruption, to find ways to wipe out the cultivation and smuggling of narcotics and also work on the security agendas to bring under control security in the country, maybe appointed in coming six month.

According to the source, these boards will be headed by a current cabinet member who may not be present in the future cabinet.

Wiping out 8 year's corruption; in six months?

Nukhust Daily, number-193, page-1, November 7, 2009

United States' authorities have said that we can not overlook documents against Ahmad Wali Karzai and we may ask to arrest him. It coincides with American republican senator, John McCain's demand that Ahmad Wali Karzai must be put to exile, a week ago.

People's expectation and the new government

8 Subh Daily, number-718, page-4, November 5, 2009 Author: Ehsanullah Dawlat Muradi

Corruption has also been recognized as topic emphasized by the authorities of international community. Approximately most of the authorities of international community, who have shown reactions in respect with the election result and have spoken on the number, apart from congratulating Karzai have also demand from him to intensify his battle against corruption. Karzai is also aware of this issue because in his speech after his victory confessed that corruption has made his government infamous.

The new cabinet will be formed in next 3 weeks

Rah-i-Nijat, number-1303, page-3, November 5, 2009

Seyamak Harawi, assistant to the president's spokesperson, said that: The new Afghan government, apart from considering international community's demand for uprooting smugglings of narcotics and corruption, are determined to form the new cabinet. Harawi declined the latest suppositions that Karzai has traded with

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some individuals in lieu of appointment to the cabinet.

The governor of Nangrahar has warned administrative personnel of that province

Sorush-i-Milat, number-216, November 9, 2009

Gul Aqa Sherzai, Nangrahar governor, in a gathering held for battling corruption and law breakings participated by the directors and administrative personnel of that province emphasized that, taking bribes and expansion of the factors of corruption can not be tolerated in any case and any government personnel violating this rule will be severely punished.

Deadline can not lead us to a way

Sorush-i-Milat, number-215, page-2, November 8, 2009

All the difficulties of the future government on one side and Obama's six month deadline on the other side will be heavy for Karzai's new government. Corruptions have root in poverty and poverty has entangled the people of this land from long time, and in reality corruption is the legacy of earlier government and periods. With this severe poverty, it is more like a beautiful dream and thought that Karzai can eradicate corruption in six month. The important point is that, corruption has not only national elements but also international elements, involved in its expansion and durability, beyond the circle of authority of Afghan government. Therefore eradication of corruptions requires serious, persistent, national and international multi-literal efforts.

According to the international remission organization with regard to Afghanistan Increase in violence in 2009

Afghanistan Daily, number-940, page-5, November 10, 2009 Author: Abdulla Harawi

The judicial system of Afghanistan has been converted into one of the most corrupt system in the world because of extensive corruption among the judges. Judges and other judicial personnel have been addicted to never ending and unimaginative corruption because of unsuitable job conditions, low salary, absence of job and personal security, their relation with guilty bands and law breakers and...... etc. People have lost their confidence in government machinery particularly in the judiciary because of extensive corruption. This issue has propagated illegal methods involving violence and law breakings. For instance people are able to pay the expenditure and bribes to the judicial authorities to solve their problems concerning the judicial machinery.

Strategy to battle corruption, or king's advice

Nukhust Daily, number-196, page-2, November 10, 2009 Author: Daryosh Sahrayee

Generally it can be said that, firstly, there are no evidences of an incisive decision by the president to battle corruption in the

past eight years. Secondly, all departments established in this period to reduce corruption lacked the existence of an effective legal framework to battle corruption. Thirdly, lack of harmony between the constitution of Afghanistan, retribution laws and anti-corruption convention in which Afghanistan became a member last year. Unfortunately until yet no encounters have been done against the corrupt individuals in Afghanistan. More people will cooperate with government and people's confidence can be gained when ever a similar treatment is made with all those in-charges of public services in respect with corruption. Any type of government scheme to battle corruption will fail if the public servants have no financial immunity. Unfortunately huge difference in the salaries of public servants pave ground for corruption and this injustice becomes an excuse for all those involved in corruption.

25,000 Afghanis, daily rent of armored vehicles of ministry of Defense generals.

Bakhtar Daily, number-111, page-1, November 10, 2009

Jangul Kargar, a represtative in the lower chamber of the parliament from Parwan said that, the American advisors of the ministry of Defense have rented 31 armored vehicles for this ministry from a private company paying 500 US Dollar per day per vehicle. Interestingly these vehicles have been rented for a period of one year, and with the amount payable for one year rent of these 31 armored vehicles, 46 similar type of armored vehicle can be purchased. Analysts believe that there are no possibilities of paying this amount to the private company with out giving a share to the American advisors. In reality these advisors or any source ordering this agreement are party to embezzlement. General Zahir Azeemi, spokesman of the ministry of Defense said that, he is not aware of the particulars of this agreement and added that United States finances the army of Afghanistan and the authorities of United States provide no information to ministry regarding the price or rent of vehicles.

Reforms in municipalities Shall revive government's prestige

Bakhtar Daily, number-111, page-7, November 10, 2009

Praising the positive yields and castigation of weak and corrupt mayor will influence improvements in their activities. The court should punish incapable mayor and higher authorities of municipalities accused of corruption or who ever people are not satisfied of their works, to be an example for all careless and corrupts.

Higher education: Higher amount of applicants, lower admissions

8 Subh Daily, number-722, page-4, November 10, 2009 Author: Asadullah Pazhman

Complaints regarding corruption in the ministry of higher



education exist like other government institutions. Those responsible of the Kankor (entrance) exam declines the existence of corruption in the process of Kankor in the ministry of higher education saying that the evaluation is done through computer system with no room for fraud.

No room for corruption in the future cabinet

Rah-i-Nijat Daily, number-1306, page-1, November 9, 2009

Hamid Karzai in an interview said that, the current corruption is the result of destruction of institutions in years of war in Afghanistan and individuals accused of corruption will not be present in Afghan government. The president said that, we are worried of a serious type of corruption in Afghanistan started with the flow of foreign aid. This type of corruption is linked with the mechanism of agreement and the exchange of such agreement among numerous contractors. There is no transparency in agreements and the implementation of projects is facing serious corruption. This type of corruption concerns the international community and I hope that with mutual cooperation we could remove this challenge. Karzai added that, I will take decisions for the stability and prosperity of Afghanistan, decisions that can increase government's ability. I think that everyone agree with me that individuals accused of corruption should not be in the government and the meritorious and uncorrupt, apart from who they are, man or woman, should have the opportunity of service in the government framework.

Internal and external corruption; two important and necessity one encounter!

Sorush-i-Milat Daily, number-217, page-2, November 10, 2009

As huge portion of the foreign aids are utilized in Afghanistan and tiny of portion of this aids are paid directly to the government of Afghanistan; this has always been criticized by the government of Afghanistan and some authorities of the United Nations Organization. The government of Afghanistan has always complaint from lack of transparency in the activities of foreign organizations and has always spoken of corruption concerning the activities and transaction of foreign institutions and organizations. According to the authorities of Afghan government, the foreign institution and organizations active in Afghanistan, have not given account to the government. Reality is that corruption does not only exist in the government departments and bureaucratic system of Afghan government but also in transactions and affairs of foreign organization active in Afghanistan with more intensity and unity.

Battling corruption, president Karzai's priority!

Sorush-i-Milat, number-217, page-2, November 10, 2009 Author: Raza Azadmanish

Part of corruption in Afghanistan, are high level corruption involving world economy mafia. Because most of the

reconstruction and construction projects are implemented by the foreign organizations, mostly smeared in corruption, converting Afghan society into a corrupt geography, which is evident in the low quality road construction, building....etc projects implemented by the foreign organizations.

Strategy to battle corruption, or king's advice

Nukhust Daily, number-195, page-2, November 9, 2009

If we evaluated Afghanistan according to the statistics of United Nation's transparency and accountability organization, which evaluates governments in corruption, sound governance and distribution of public services and provides statistics, we will find out that the corruption graph is covering an upward movement from 2004 till date in Afghanistan. During 2004-2006 Afghanistan had the 155th position among 178 countries, in this manner Afghanistan will be in the highest level of corruption and unsound government in 2009. Apart from anti-corruption commissions, Administrative Reform Commission has spent millions of US Dollars to establish a sound administrative and provide better public services, but all these steps have not been able to help the government establish a sound government. Corruption has been converted into a culture in Afghan administrations these years, lack of punishment system for the guilty and the involvement of higher authorities of government in corruption has converted corruption into a normal practice.

Eradicate corruption or....!

Erada daily, number-1702, page-2, November 9, 2009

According to finding of national and international researchers, that at the moment corruption has contaminated all those powerful individuals and authorities of government who speak of nationalism and patriotism, and a noticeable number of cabinet members and governors feed from corruption and mafias.

General McCrystal, commander of the United States and Nato forces in Afghanistan mentioned that, the basic problem of Afghanistan is corruption and until this phenomena is not uprooted from the Afghan administration, it will be difficult for Nato and international community to speak of victory in this land. General McCrystal believes that, all army of the world will be impotent to establish security and stability in Afghanistan, if Karzai's government can not stop corruption mafia and warlords in this country.

Six days after victory Initial evidence of mutiny or anger?

8 Subh Daily, number-720, page-2, November 8, 2009

The ministry of foreign affairs in a declaration with regard to Kai Aide's speech said: "Kai Aide's statement, the special envoy of United Nations secretary general in Afghanistan, based on the existence of corruption in the government in a press conference was with regret was beyond the accept international norms and



his jurisdiction as a neutral international source".

While the western allies of Afghanistan think that putting pressure on Karzai in threshold of the formation of cabinet and new government may force Karzai to take firm decisions to battle corruption and avoid the entrance of notorious and corrupt individuals in the new cabinet, seems that the internal pressure and his natural behavior for independent act for deviating the common opinion, may put to confrontation the expectation of international community for the establishment of a obliged, expert and non-corrupt working team for battling corruption and the improvement of government institution in Afghanistan. As experience has shown, Karzai can not act according to the wish and will of the world and people of Afghanistan in battling corruption and appointment of famous individuals in his cabinet in a long run. As such, Karzai's obedience during the first round of election till his first press conference, was more of a made up show that a real and promising commitment for reforms.

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Ramazan Bashardost:

Foreign embassies are real centers of embezzlement

Erada Daily, number-1709, page-1, November 17, 2009

Accusing, the foreign embassies and organizations, of embezzlement, Ramazan Bashardost expressed that: if United States and other foreign countries do not bring a principle change in the leadership of embassies, information organizations, economic organizations and military experts in Afghanistan, this assistance will not bring any changes in the life of people of Afghanistan. Former Plan Minister added, the government of Japan has provided a billion US Dollar aid to Afghanistan having no effect on the life of people in Afghanistan. According to his belief, the embassy of Japan particularly JICA, its economic branch, has been the root cause of embezzlement in the assistance of Japanese tax payer.

Bashardost claimed that: from the period of my ministry till date I have received reliable information that the director of JICA receives a share of 15 percent from each agreement he signs with companies for the reconstruction of Afghanistan. He confessed that: during my ministry, I received reports on the construction of clinic or road way in a region, from international NGOs, but when ever I inspected the region, there were no evidence of such constructions, and a similar report was also sent to the donor countries.

Bashardost added: it was based on these false reports that 'Rice', the former US foreign affairs minister, spoke, in the London conference, of historical developments in Afghanistan. As, they received false reports from their embassy and offices.

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