
OSCE TO HOLD MONITORING ON CONTACT LINE OF AZERBAIJANI, ARMENIAN TROOPS

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OSCE is expected to monitor the contact line between Azerbaijani and Armenian troops on May 11, Azerbaijan's Defense Ministry told Trend May 10.

It is planned to hold the monitoring under the mandate of the OSCE chairperson-in-office personal representative on the contact line to the west of the Tapgaragoyunlu village of Azerbaijan's Goranboy district.

On the Azerbaijani side, the monitoring will be carried out by the field assistants of OSCE chairperson-in-office personal representative Hristo Hristov, Simon Tiller and special representative of the OSCE chairperson-in office for the South Caucasus Gunther Bachler.

On the opposite side, the monitoring will be conducted by the OSCE chairperson-in-office personal representative Andrzej Kasprzyk, his field assistant Peter Svedberg and the representative of the OSCE chairperson-in-office Thomas Lenk.

The conflict between the two South Caucasus countries began in 1988 when Armenia made territorial claims against Azerbaijan. As a result of the ensuing war, in 1992 Armenian armed forces occupied 20 percent of Azerbaijan, including the Nagorno-Karabakh region and seven surrounding districts. The 1994 ceasefire agreement was followed by peace negotiations.

Armenia has not yet implemented four UN Security Council resolutions on withdrawal of its armed forces from the Nagorno-Karabakh and the surrounding districts.

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