
AZERBAIJAN, TURKEY, GEORGIA TO HOLD JOINT MILITARY EXERCISES

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Azerbaijan, Turkey and Georgia will hold joint military exercises, Azerbaijani Defense Minister Zakir Hasanov said at a press conference May 15.

Hasanov made this statement following a meeting of defense ministers of the three countries in Azerbaijan's Gabala city, the Azerbaijani Defense Ministry said.

"We considered it appropriate to hold trilateral joint exercises to improve combat readiness and mutual vigilance of the three countries, cooperate in the field of military training in a trilateral format, develop cooperation in the field of cyber security and hold exercises for the protection of oil and gas pipelines," the minister said.

Hasanov said that the sides intend to sign a Memorandum of Understanding.

"Signing of the Memorandum of Understanding, which is being coordinated, will be the basis of the legal framework of our cooperation," Hasanov said. "This will also enable our trilateral activity to pass to a new level. New projects are planned to be implemented in the future proceeding from this format," Hasanov said.

The minister also stressed that the sides discussed the issues on the Armenian-Azerbaijani Nagorno-Karabakh conflict settlement.

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