
ARMENIA CONTINUES ARSONS ON FRONTLINE

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Armenia continues to tense the situation along the frontline with new provocations. Armenian Armed Forces besides constantly violating the ceasefire with Azerbaijan, also deliberately sets fire to Azerbaijani territories.

This time, taking advantage of warm and windy weather, they have set fire to the pastures in the border villages of Tovuz region of Azerbaijan, APA states.

The fire that began in the evening of August 23 in the mountainous part of Alibayli village in Tovuz region burned down a large area.

Locals say the enemy army destroyed the pastures for cattle, but their main aim was to cause damage to the houses of Azerbaijani citizens. Locals also heard sounds of explosion during the fire. Most likely, those were sounds of exploding mines.

Due to the fire, wild animals began to attack the villages. Residents complain that they cause damage to livestock.

Armenian Armed Forces often commit large-scale arsons also in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan, particularly in summer. Villages in Agdam, Fizuli, Jabrayil, Terter and other regions frequently face such destructive acts by Armenian soldiers.

Such attacks are an evident that Armenians seek to cause harm to Azerbaijan and its citizens by making life near the border difficult and risky for them.

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.

More than 20,000 Azerbaijanis were killed and over 1 million were displaced as a result of the large-scale hostilities. The 1994 ceasefire agreement was followed by peace negotiations.

Armenia still controls fifth part of Azerbaijan's territory and rejects implementing four UN Security Council resolutions on withdrawal of its armed forces from the Nagorno-Karabakh and surrounding districts.

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