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"TRUMP'S VICTORY IS REALLY FRUSTRATING FOR ARMENIANS"

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Azerbaijans top official has assessed Republican presidential nominee Donald Trumps election as the 45th president of the U.S. as a surprise for Armenia.

Another surprise outcome of the U.S. presidential election for "Armenia and Co." was the defeat of long-time buddies Bob Dold, Mark Kirk and others, Deputy Head of Azerbaijani presidential administration, chief of the administration's foreign relations department Novruz Mammadov wrote in his micro-blog on Twitter, while commenting on the election results.

Republican Trump won the latest presidential elections to head the White House in a hard-racing with his Democrat rival Hillary Clinton which lasted for over a year.

American Armenians, who rely on quite close ties of the heads of the American-Armenian organizations with high ranking democratic officials in the Congress and White House, earlier voiced that they will support the Democratic candidate, Hillary Clinton.

Hillary Clinton has also been supporting the efforts of the Armenian community directed at the adoption of the law on recognition of the so called Armenian Genocide. Therefore, Armenians hoped to see their friend in the post of the U.S. President in a deep expectation to gain a pressure on Turkey over the "genocide recognition".

Armenians alleged "genocide" claims over mass killing of some 1.5 million of their people by Ottoman forces ordered by Minister of War Enver Pasha and other top officials in the last century remain a major request from the new U.S. presidency.

Ankara, in turn categorically, denies the term "genocide", insisting that the Turks and the Armenians both suffered in the clashes, when Armenians joined forces with invading Russian troops in the hope of carving out their own state.

Taking advantage of the power and influence of the great powers, Armenians this time as well wanted to achieve their dream and also maybe to further claim to foreign territories.

But, the things turned out not so well for Armenians, as Trump won with votes 290 in the electoral college, whereas Clinton had just 232 of the 270 electoral votes needed to win (CNN).

Soon after the decisive victory, which Trump supporters named as "historic", a top adviser to President-elect Donald Trump said that Turkey should be a top priority in U.S. foreign policy.

We must begin with understanding that Turkey is vital to U.S. interests, retired Gen. Michael Flynn wrote for the Hill newspaper, criticizing an unwise policy of the Obama administration to keep Ankara at arms length,

We need to adjust our foreign policy to recognize Turkey as a priority. We need to see the world from Turkeys perspective, he wrote.

So, the results are really frustrating for Armenians...

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