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**FM: TURKEY, RUSSIA WORK JOINTLY TO SETTLE KARABAKH CONFLICT**

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Turkey and Russia have restored their relations and are currently working to settle regional problems, including the Armenia-Azerbaijan Nagorno-Karabakh conflict, said Turkish Foreign Minister Mevlut Cavusoglu.

He made the remarks at the National Press Club in Washington.

We have overcome our differences. Our relations have been restored, and we cooperate to solve a number of problems in the region, noted Cavusoglu.

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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