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FOREIGN MILITARY ATTACHES, FOREIGN MEDIA REPS VISIT ALKHANLI VILLAGE

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The Azerbaijani Foreign and Defense Ministries, General Prosecutors Office and Fuzuli Region Executive Power organized a visit of foreign military attaches accredited to Baku and representatives of foreign media to the village of Alkhanli of Fuzuli region.

The Alkhanli village underwent intense firing of the Armenian armed forces using 82-mm and 120mm mortars and grenade launchers on July 4. As a result of this provocation, a resident of the village and her two-year-old granddaughter were killed. Another resident, who got wounded, was taken to the hospital and was operated on.

Foreign Ministrys Spokesman Hikmat Hajiyev told APA that representatives of TRT, Ihlas News Agency, MIR TV, Associated Press, RIA Novosti, Voice of America, Interfax, BBC and other media outlets are among the visitors. Military representatives of U.S., Russia, Pakistan, China, Korea, Turkey, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Ukraine, Belarus and diplomats of German embassy in Azerbaijan attend the visit.

They will become familiar the site where Guliyeva Sahiba and her granddaughter, two-year-old Zahra Guliyeva were killed as Armenians shelled the village of Alkhanli. They will be given detailed information about the incident.

Armenia broke out a lengthy war against Azerbaijan by laying territorial claims on its South Caucasus neighbor. Since a war in the early 1990s, Armenian armed forces have occupied 20 percent of Azerbaijan's territory, including Nagorno-Karabakh and seven surrounding regions. More than 20,000 Azerbaijanis were killed and over 1 million were displaced as a result of the large-scale hostilities.

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

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