
US. SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ENSURES CONTINUED FUNDING TO NAGORNO KARABAKH

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AVİM's summary of ANCA's announcement:

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The Senate Appropriations Committee adopted the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs (SFOPS) appropriations bill, which ensures continued funding to Nagorno Karabakh, reported the Armenian Assembly of America (Assembly).

The "Committee recommends assistance for the victims of the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict in amounts consistent with prior fiscal years, and for ongoing needs related to the conflict." The Committee urges a peaceful resolution to the conflict, which, given Azerbaijan's recent and unprecedented attacks against Armenia and Nagorno Karabakh underscores the importance of implementing an accurate cease-fire monitoring system along the line of contact.

"The Armenian Assembly applauds the bipartisan work of the Senate Appropriations Committee and especially appreciates the efforts of Senator Van Hollen in helping to ensure continued funding to Nagorno Karabakh. His leadership on critically important priorities for U.S. engagement in Armenia and Nagorno Karabakh is vital, and we look forward to continuing our work with him during this critical time," stated Armenian Assembly Co-Chairs Anthony Barsamian and Van Krikorian.

*To access ANCA's announcement, please see: <https://anca.org/anca-welcomes-u-s-senate-action-to-provide-aid-to-artsakh-and-armenia/> (accessed: 4 October 2017)

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