
PRESIDENT ALIYEV: TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF AZERBAIJAN MUST BE RESTORED

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The territorial integrity of Azerbaijan has the same value as the territorial integrity of any other state and it must be restored, said Azerbaijan's President Ilham Aliyev.

President Aliyev made the remarks addressing a plenary session of the Eastern Partnership Summit in Brussels Nov. 24.

The main challenge faced by Azerbaijan is the continuation of Armenias occupation of the Azerbaijani lands, said the president.

It can be said that 20 percent of the internationally recognized territory of Azerbaijan has been under Armenias occupation for more than 20 years, he noted.

President Aliyev added that as a result of the occupation, more than one million Azerbaijanis became refugees and IDPs, and the ethnic cleansing policy was conducted against Azerbaijanis.

The head of state noted that the UN Security Council adopted four resolutions demanding immediate and unconditional withdrawal of the Armenian armed forces from the Azerbaijani territories.

Armenia does not fulfill them, said the president adding that separatism and aggressive separatism are unacceptable in the 21st century.

All forms of separatism must be condemned and a single approach must be applied to all manifestations of separatism, added President Aliyev.

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