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**AZERBAIJANI, RUSSIAN FMS MULL KARABAKH CONFLICT, CASPIAN SEA STATUS**

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Azerbaijani Foreign Minister Elmar Mammadyarov and his Russian counterpart Sergey Lavrov spoke on the phone on Feb. 1, Azerbaijani Foreign Ministrys Spokesman Hikmat Hajiyev told Trend Feb. 2.

He said that the ministers discussed the regional and international agenda, including the legal status of the Caspian Sea, negotiations on the settlement of the Armenia-Azerbaijan Nagorno-Karabakh conflict and bilateral cooperation issues.

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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