
AZERBAIJANI DEPUTY DEFENSE MINISTER VISITS TURKEY

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Azerbaijani Deputy Minister of Defense, Air Force Commander, Lieutenant General Ramiz Tahirov paid a visit to Turkey, the Azerbaijani Defense Ministry told Trend on July 16.

During the visit, Tahirov met with Turkish Minister of National Defense Hulusi Akar.

The sides discussed issues related to the provocation committed by the Armenian armed forces in the direction of Tovuz district on the Azerbaijani-Armenian border, said the ministry.

Starting from noon on July 12, units of the armed forces of Armenia, grossly violating the ceasefire in the direction of Azerbaijan's Tovuz district along the Azerbaijani-Armenian state border, opened artillery fire at Azerbaijani positions.

Azerbaijan's armed response forced the Armenian army to retreat suffering losses.

Azerbaijani personnel, sergeant of military service Vugar Sadigov and corporal Elshad Mammadov, died while repelling the attack of the Armenian armed forces.

Despite the efforts of the Azerbaijani doctors, severely wounded serviceman of the Azerbaijani army Khayyam Dashdemirov also died.

The tension remained in Tovuz district on the Azerbaijan-Armenia state border on July 12 night.

During the night battles, by using artillery, mortars and tanks, the Azerbaijani armed forces destroyed a stronghold, bombshells, vehicles and servicemen on the territory of the Armenian military unit.

Azerbaijani serviceman, senior lieutenant Rashad Mahmudov was killed during the battles.

The battles continued on the night of July 13. Major General Polad Hashimov, Colonel Ilgar Mirzoyev, Major Namig Ahmadov, Major Anar Novruzov, Ensign Ilgar Zeynalli, Ensign Yashar Babayev and soldier Elchin Mustafazade were killed during the battles.

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