
TÜRKİYE HELPS BROKER AFGHANISTAN, PAKISTAN TRUCE

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Türkiye and Qatar have brokered a pledge by Afghanistan and Pakistan to respect an immediate ceasefire after weeks of cross-border clashes that have killed dozens and wounded hundreds.

The truce took effect on Oct. 19 immediately after the talks in the Qatari capital Doha, joined by Türkiye's intelligence chief İbrahim Kalın. Violence has escalated between the neighbors since earlier this month, with each country saying they were responding to aggression from the other. Afghanistan denies harboring militants who carry out attacks in border areas.

Pakistan is grappling with militancy that has surged since 2021, when the Taliban seized control of Afghanistan and returned to power.

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