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YPG withdrawal from Manbij 'not enough'

There is no agreement with US but understanding on stabilizing Manbij, eastern side of Euphrates River, Cavusoglu says

By Satuk Bugra Kutlugun

ANKARA - Turkey's Foreign Minister Mevlut Cavusoglu on Wednesday said retreating of YPG/PKK terrorist group from Syria's Manbij region "will not be enough". He was speaking at a joint news conference with Lesotho's Foreign

Minister Lesego Makgothi in the capital Ankara. "It will not be enough for YPG to retreat from Manbij. There will be other cities after Manbij," Cavusoglu said, referring to Turkey's possible operation in the region in near future. When asked about the U.S.' existence in the Syrian city of Manbij and

Turkey-U.S. relations, Cavusoglu said there has not been an agreement with the U.S. but "an understanding" on stabilizing Manbij and eastern side of the Euphrates River. "If we reach consensus about roadmap with the U.S., then we can say we have an agreement. Right now, there is an understanding," Cavusoglu... [MORE DETAILS](#)

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Locals hand over 18 terrorists to Turkish troops in Afrin

ANKARA - Locals handed over 18 terrorists to Turkish soldiers in Syria's recently liberated Afrin region, said the Turkish military on Wednesday. In a statement posted on Twitter account, Turkish Armed Forces said that the terrorists were handed over to the military by local residents and village heads in nine different villages.

Residents of Afrin had also handed over three terrorists to the military on Tuesday. On Sunday, Turkish-backed troops liberated Afrin's town center, which had been a major hideout for the PYD/PKK since 2012. Turkey on Jan. 20 launched Operation Olive Branch to remove YPG/PKK and Daesh terrorists from Afrin. According to... [MORE DETAILS](#)

Suicide blast in Afghan capital kills scores of people

By Shadi Khan Saif

KABUL - A suicide blast in the Afghan capital Kabul on Wednesday killed at least 26 people, officials and local media reported. Nusrat Rahimi, deputy spokesman for the Interior Ministry, confirmed a suicide bomber targeted a Nevruz [Spring

Festival] gathering in the capital's Karta-e-Sakhi neighborhood killing 26 people, mostly civilians and policemen. According to local Azadi Radio, at least 18 people were wounded in the attack. The site of the blast is close to a shrine considered sacred by the country's ethnic Shia Hazara community, where the annual gathering to mark Nevruz is held. [MORE DETAILS](#)

Defying norms, 92-year-old Turkish woman attends school

By Gokhan Gucukluoglu

SINOP - A 92-year-old woman in northeastern Turkey is realizing a childhood dream: learning how to read and write, an opportunity she missed as a child. Gullu Sarac is one of the eight women attending a course in Black Sea Sinop province as part of a literacy

campaign. Sarac is the oldest and most determined student. "My children tried to teach me [how to read and write] for years, but until now, I had never attended school," she said. Sarac, after being encouraged by her sister, began attending Gazi Primary School every weekday. "It is good that... [MORE DETAILS](#)

