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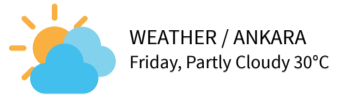
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Thousands protest Denmark veil ban

By Davut Colak

COPENHAGEN - Thousands of people marched against a controversial ban in Denmark on the wearing of face veils in public that came into force Wednesday. Demonstrations were held in the capital city of Copenhagen and second

largest city of Aarhus against the ban, which was approved on May 31.

The protests -- organized by Kvinder I Dialog (Women in Dialogue), a group founded by left-wing activists and women wearing the veil -- were supported by Muslim migrants and citizens of Denmark. **MORE DETAILS**

Turkish minorities deny claims of being victimized

Minority community representatives say they never face any problem while practicing their religions in Turkey

ISTANBUL - People of minority communities in Turkey are treated as respectfully as any other Turkish citizen, said a minority community representative.

"We belong to this land. Our young people may go abroad for the purpose of making career or education [...] Wherever they go, they feel being Turkish," Moris Levi told Anadolu Agency.

"Obviously, the lands we live on has cultivated

cultural diversity. For instance; The Jews lived peacefully during the Ottoman period," he said, recalling that there were special rules that protected the minorities during the period.

Ivo Molinas, editor of Jewish weekly newspaper in Turkey, noted that his ancestors came to Istanbul 1,400 years ago and said he has never faced any problem while practicing his religion in Turkey.

He also recalled the religious freedom during the Ottoman period. Representatives of minority communities on Tuesday denied allegations that they were being victimized in Turkey.

In a joint declaration, Turkey's minority community representatives -- including followers of the Greek Orthodox and Armenian churches -- said that people of different faiths... **MORE DETAILS**



Minority community representative Moris Levi

Turkish interior minister reacts to US sanctions move



By Diyar Guldogan

ANKARA - Turkish Interior Minister Suleyman Soylu reacted to a U.S. move to impose sanctions on him and the country's justice minister in a Twitter post on Thursday. "We have a property in America: FETO. We will not leave it there. We will get it," Soylu wrote on his official Twitter account. Soylu's remarks... **MORE DETAILS**

Turkish parliament speaker calls US sanctions unlawful



By Muhammet Emin Avundukluoglu

ANKARA - Parliament Speaker Binali Yildirim has termed the U.S. decision to impose sanctions on two Turkish ministers as "unlawful and extremely arbitrary". "The sanctions decision taken by the U.S. Secretary of Treasury has targeted our Justice Minister Abdulhamit Gul and our Interior Minister Suleyman Soylu, which is unlawful... **MORE DETAILS**

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Russian MPs critical of US sanctions move on Turkey

Turkey takes over FETO schools in Ivory Coast

DAKAR - Turkish Maarif Foundation (TMV), a state-run education body, has taken over four schools linked to the Fetullah Terrorist Organization (FETO) in Ivory Coast. Esra Demir, the Turkish ambassador in Abidjan, told Anadolu Agency that Ivory Coast has shown great

solidarity with Turkey after the defeated coup of July 15, 2016.

"The handover of FETO-affiliated schools to TMV is a development which confirms the strong bonds and friendship between the two countries," she said. Birol Akgun, the head of Turkish Maarif Foundation,

said more FETO-affiliated schools would be handed over to TMV especially in Africa.

"Ivory Coast authorities transferred 4 FETO affiliated schools with 300 students to our foundation. After the June 24 election, international politics is changing ... **MORE DETAILS**



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