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## 15 Daesh suspects arrested in Turkey

KOCAELI - Security forces have arrested 15 suspects across the northwestern provinces of Istanbul and Kocaeli for alleged links to the Daesh terror group, a police source said Tuesday. Counter-terrorism squads carried out simultaneous raids to apprehend suspects in several addresses in Istanbul

and Kocaeli, just to its east, said the source, who asked not to be named due to restrictions on speaking to the media. During the raids police also confiscated a pump rifle and organizational documents, the source added. To date, at least 319 people have lost their lives... [MORE DETAILS](#)

## 'Turkey forming space agency this year'

*Work to establish Turkish space agency will be completed as soon as possible, says industry and technology minister*



By Tuba Sahin

ANKARA - As set out in Turkey's 100-day action plan, a Turkish space agency will be founded this year, said the nation's industry and technology minister on Tuesday. "Work to form the Turkish space agency will be completed as soon as possible," Mustafa Varank said in a statement. He said the agency will set up a system that ensures

coordination in the aerospace sector while protecting Turkey's national interests. "Priority targets of the agency are to guide and coordinate the Turkish space sector, and manage international relations [concerning space] through a single desk," Varank said. The new agency will pave the way for the establishment of a competitive indigenous industry, he said. "We are forming the Turkish space agency... [MORE DETAILS](#)

## Seoul calls for Turkey's help again



By Alex Jensen

SEOUL - South Korean Defense Minister Song Young-moo has requested Turkey's help in resolving a decades-long standoff with North Korea, his ministry said Tuesday. A day earlier in Ankara, Song was welcomed by his Turkish counterpart Hulusi Akar for talks on the Korean Peninsula and wider cooperation. "During the talks, Minister Song explained the outcomes of the recent inter-Korean

summit and the North Korea-U.S. summit and called for Turkey's active support and cooperation in the efforts for the complete denuclearization of the peninsula and for the establishment of a lasting peace," the ministry said in a statement carried by local news agency Yonhap. Akar reportedly responded by vowing to join South Korea in striving for peace. They also decided to take steps to bolster defense ties, having already "very closely cooperated in... [MORE DETAILS](#)



Turkish Deputy Foreign Minister Sedat Onal

## Turkish delegation set to leave for US

By Merve Aydogan

ANKARA - A delegation led by Turkish Deputy Foreign Minister Sedat Onal is set to leave for the United States for talks, according to diplomatic sources Tuesday. Onal and the delegation are expected to discuss the recent tensions between the two countries.

Turkish Foreign Minister Mevlut Cavusoglu met his U.S. counterpart Mike Pompeo in Singapore on the sidelines of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) foreign ministers' meeting. Describing his meeting with Pompeo as "constructive," Cavusoglu said: "[...]Turkey always wishes to... [MORE DETAILS](#)

## Turkey's stunning nature, culture landscape



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## US reaffirms 'solid' relations with Turkey

ANKARA - The U.S. Embassy in Ankara on Tuesday affirmed "solid" relations with Turkey despite recent tensions. The U.S. imposed sanctions on the Turkish ministers of justice and interior for not releasing American Pastor Andrew Craig Brunson, who faces terrorism charges in Turkey. "Despite the current

tensions, the United States remains a stalwart friend and ally to Turkey; our two nations enjoy a vibrant economic relationship," said the Embassy on its Twitter account. The Embassy also dismissed reports about U.S. officials allegedly predicting that the U.S. dollar would reach seven Turkish liras. "This is a fabricated, baseless lie." [MORE DETAILS](#)