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# Saudi consulate staff testify on Khashoggi

'No extraordinary situation' sensed at Saudi Consulate in Istanbul on Oct. 2, Turkish personnel says

ISTANBUL - A number of employees of the Saudi Consulate in Istanbul testified as part of an ongoing probe into the killing of Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi, a judicial source said on Monday. Five Turkish employees of the Saudi Consulate said in their testimonies that they weren't given a day off on Oct. 2 and left the consulate when their shift ended at 3.30 p.m. local time (1230GMT). Khashoggi was last seen at 1.14 p.m. (1014GMT) on Oct. 2, when he entered the Saudi Consulate in Istanbul.

Among those who testified to the prosecutors assigned by the terror and organized crimes unit of Istanbul's... MORE DETAILS





#### Germany calls on EU to stop arms sales to Saudis

By Ayhan Simsek

BERLIN - Germany has called on its EU partners on Monday to stop selling arms to Saudi Arabia amid doubts over Riyadh's explanation on the killing of journalist Jamal Khashoggi.

Economy and Energy Minister Peter Altmaier told ZDF television that the German government would

not approve any new arms sales to Saudi Arabia and would urge other EU member states to follow this example. "I believe that it is important to adopt a common European stance," Altmaier stressed. "Because only if all European states are united, it would make an influence on the government in Rivadh," he added.

Altmaier warned... MORE DETAILS

### President Erdogan ranked world's top influential Muslim



Following Turkish President, Saudi and Jordanian kings listed among World's 500 Most Influential Muslims 2019

By Fatih Hafız Mehmet

ANKARA - Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan ranked first place in the 2019 edition of the World's 500 Most Influential Muslims. Prepared annually by the Jordan-based Royal Islamic Strategic Studies Centre, the book notes that Erdogan became Turkey's first popularly-elected president in August 2014 and then secured a second-term in

the 2018 election with 52.5 percent of the vote, where electoral turnout was 86 percent.

"During his terms, Turkey has seen unprecedented economic growth, constitutional reform, and a re-emergence as a major global power," the publication said. Under Erdogan's leadership, it said, Turkey has focused on building stronger relations with all of its seven land-

contiguous neighbors,

especially Greece, and also all of those countries bordering the Black Sea -- an important trading hub and a geopolitically significant area.

"In Africa, it has opened up over twenty new embassies and consulates, and when Somalia suffered from a crippling famine and drought in 2011, Erdogan not only gave aid, but also became the first leader from outside Africa to visit... MORE DETAILS



#### Turkish Red Crescent to expand Balkans aid drive

By Talha Ozturk

BELGRADE - The Turkish Red Crescent is taking concrete steps and launching new projects to expand its work in the Balkans, said Kerem Kinik, head of the

non-profit organization. Kinik, who was visiting Croatia's capital Zagreb for the 140th anniversary of the Croatian Red Cross, shared the activities and future plans of the organization. "We have launched... MORE DETAILS

