



Turkey to enhance ties with Latin American countries

President Recep Tayyip Erdogan says Latin America, Caribbean have important place in Turkey's opening policy

By Diyar Guldogan

ANKARA - Turkey will continue to enhance relations with the countries in Latin America and in the Caribbean, President Recep Tayyip Erdogan said on Tuesday. "We will continue to develop our bilateral and multilateral relations with the countries in the Latin American and Caribbean region which have an important place in our opening policy," Erdogan told reporters in the capital Ankara. Erdogan's remarks came after concluding his visits to Argentina, Paraguay and Venezuela. He said the leaders discussed global trade, infrastructural investments, modern tax system, new risks and vulnerabilities in the... MORE DETAILS



Opposition leader slams German Islam Conference

By Muhammet Emin Avundukluoglu

ANKARA - Turkey's opposition Nationalist Movement Party (MHP) leader on Tuesday called the German Islam Conference (DIK) held last week "a scandal". Addressing his party's parliamentary group meeting, Devlet Bahçeli recalled that the conference was opened by German Interior Minister

Horst Seehofer, "who said that Islam does not belong to Germany." "The conference which convened with the slogan of 'Islam in Germany and for Germany' is a scandal, it is carelessness and an insult on our belief," said Bahçeli. He also criticized the choice of food being served at the conference, namely sausage made of pork. "What does 'Islam... MORE DETAILS



TIKA helps Afghan women with job skills

KABUL - Turkey's state-run aid agency is helping women in northern Afghanistan gain valuable skills for jobs. The aid is going to women's vocational training in Baghlan, a city in northern Afghanistan, said a statement by the

Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TIKA). According to TIKA, the donation was done in cooperation with Baghlan's Culture Directorate to help women get jobs and improve their social status. The aid includes... MORE DETAILS

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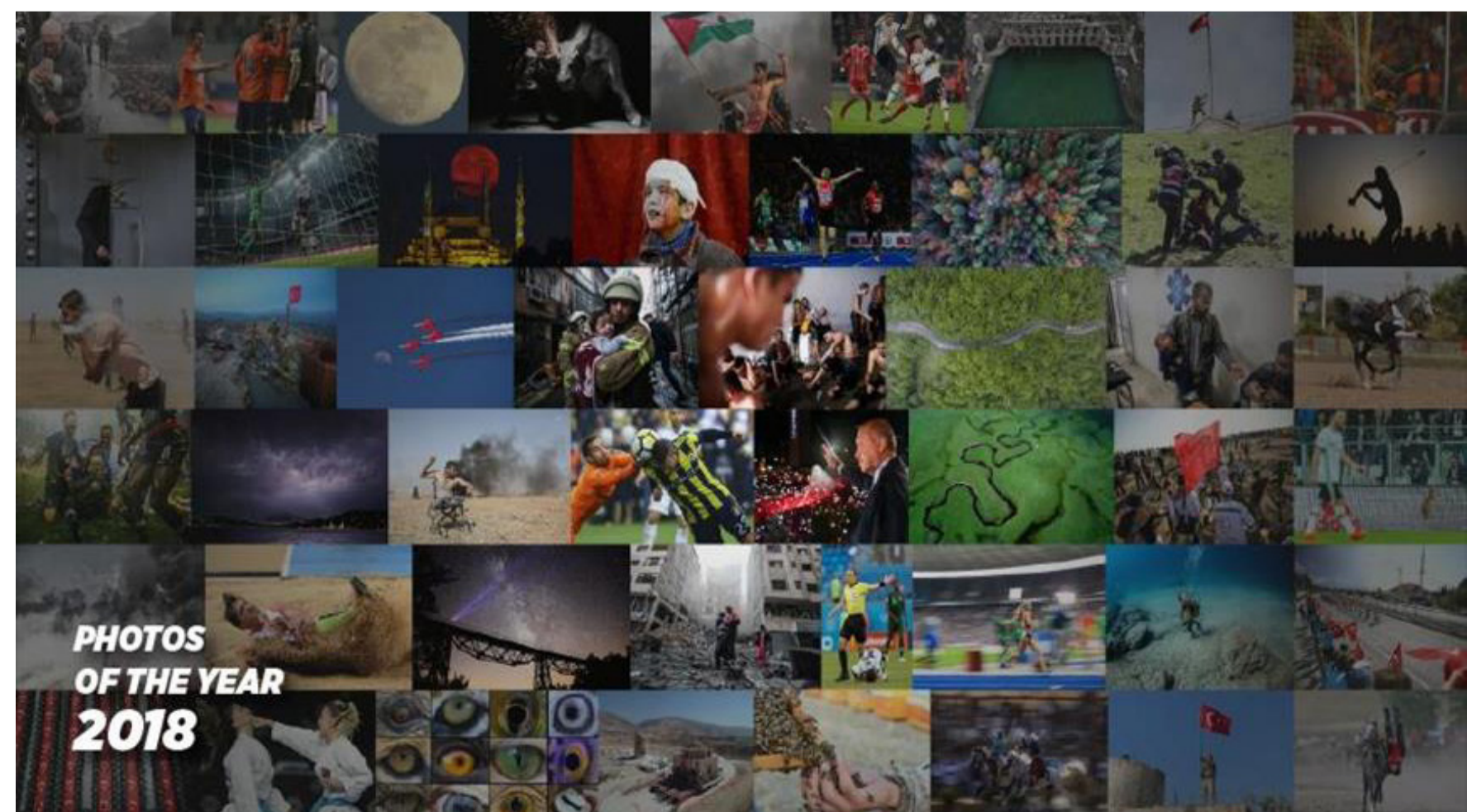
By Mehmet Ozturk

ISTANBUL - As the Philippines prepares to hold a plebiscite in January on the ratification of the Bangsamoro Organic Law, which is expected to bring greater autonomy to the predominantly Muslim region of Bangsamoro on Mindanao island, Turkish aid agency the Humanitarian Relief Foundation (IHH) hosted the chairman of the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) in Istanbul. Al Hajj Murad Ebrahim, 70,

who has played a key role in building trust between the central government and MILF, delivered remarks Sunday on the protracted conflict in the southern Philippines, the peace processes of the past four decades and Turkey's support for the region. Ebrahim spoke exclusively to Anadolu Agency on the sidelines of the event. The struggle of Bangsamoro dates back to the colonial period. But this (present) struggle we started more than 40 years ago, when the... MORE DETAILS



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Arrest warrants out for 112 FETO suspects

KAYSERI / ANKARA / KONYA - Arrest warrants have been issued for at least 112 people across Turkey for suspected links to the Fetullah Terrorist Organization (FETO), the group behind the defeated 2016 coup. Prosecutors in the central province of Kayseri issued

warrants for 68 suspects including 17 on-duty soldiers in seven provinces for allegedly having links to the terror group's military structure, said judicial sources, speaking on condition of anonymity due to restrictions on speaking to the media. At least eight... MORE DETAILS