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## Turkey 'won't allow provocations in Idlib'

*US' Syria pullout should not serve divisive agenda of terrorist PYD/YPG, says Foreign Ministry*

ANKARA - Turkey will not allow terrorist provocations to damage the deal to keep the peace in Idlib, Syria, a Turkish official said on Friday. "The U.S. withdrawal process from Syria should not serve the divisive agenda of the terrorist PYD/YPG. There should not be a fait accompli on the ground," Hami Aksoy, Foreign Ministry spokesman, told reporters in the capital Ankara. The remarks came in the wake of a Daesh attack on Wednesday which killed 16 people, including four U.S.

soldiers. Turkish officials said the attack might have been meant to derail the U.S. plan to withdraw from Syria, announced in December after U.S. President Donald Trump spoke with Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan. Following a meeting last September between Erdogan and his Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin, the two sides agreed to set up a demilitarized zone in Idlib, Syria. Under the deal, opposition groups in Idlib are... **MORE DETAILS**



## Over a century of struggle for freedom: Bangsamoro

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ANKARA - Countdown has started for a plebiscite that will grant the Bangsamoros -- a collective term for Filipino Muslims living on an island south of the Philippines -- long-awaited comprehensive autonomy. A plebiscite is set to begin on Jan. 21 in two cities, with a second round to be held on Feb. 6 in other areas in the neighboring region, to ratify the the Bangsamoro Organic Law (BOL). Once the bill is ratified the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) would be created.

Freedom the Muslims in the region had for centuries was taken away from them by Americans in 1898 when the Spanish, who occupied the Philippines in the 16th century left the country to the U.S. The Bangsamoro people, who were already deprived of freedom during the U.S. occupation, also faced harsh times due the Christian settlement policy of the Manila government, when Americans left the region to the Philippine Christians after managing it until 1946. To realize the region's independence, the Moro National... **MORE DETAILS**



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## Fresh US-bound migrant caravan arrives in Mexico

BUENOS AIRES - Part of the 700 plus South American migrants headed for the U.S. arrived Thursday at Guatemala's border crossing at the Mexican frontier, according media reports from

Mexico. The migrants, mostly Hondurans, are camping at Suchiate in the Guatemalan border province of Chiapas, where they have been requesting asylum from

Mexico, Milenio television channel reported. Mexican authorities have announced that they will handle asylum requests swiftly. Documents provided by

Mexico's National Institute for Migration (INM) ensure migrants to have primary health care in state hospitals and to apply for jobs. Honduran migrant Tulio Marcia... **MORE DETAILS**

## Brexit: German leaders urge Britain to stay in EU

LONDON (AA) - German leaders -- including the next chancellor apparent -- are urging the U.K. to cancel Brexit and instead remain in the EU, arguing that it is not too late for Britain to change its mind. In an impassioned letter published in The Times of London on Friday, influential figures, including Annegret Kramp-Karrenbauer, the successor to Chancellor Angela Merkel, reminded the U.K. "Without your great nation, this continent... **MORE DETAILS**

## Turkish aid group helps refugee families in Afghanistan



KABUL (AA) - A Turkish charity group on Friday opened a new refugee camp to serve 100 families in northern Afghanistan. The camp in the Belh province was opened by the Turkiye Diyanet

Foundation (TDV), a charity group linked to Turkey's state Religious Affairs Directorate (Diyamet). Speaking at the camp's opening ceremony, Sevki Seckin Alpay, Turkey's... **MORE DETAILS**

## Syrian students long for 'terror-free' Syria

