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US set to deliver 2 more F-35 jets to Turkey

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WASHINGTON - The U.S. is set to deliver two more F-35 fighter jets to Turkey, a spokesman for the F-35 program said Tuesday. Joe DellaVedova told Anadolu Agency the Turkish

F-35 program of record, including ongoing training of Turkish F-35 personnel at Luke Air Force Base, is continuing "until otherwise directed." "Turkey currently has two F-35As at Luke Air Force Base and two... [MORE DETAILS](#)

West must reject xenophobia, Islamophobia

We must shed light on all aspects of what happened, fully understand how terrorist became radicalized, says Erdogan

Servet Günerigok

WASHINGTON - Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan on Tuesday urged the West to stand against racism, xenophobia and Islamophobia after a terror attack in New Zealand. Erdogan said in the wake of the Christchurch massacre, the West has "certain responsibilities," in an article published in Washington

Post newspaper. "Western societies and governments must reject the normalization of racism, xenophobia and Islamophobia, which has been on the rise in recent years," he said. "It is crucial to establish that such twisted ideologies, such as anti-Semitism, amount to crimes against humanity." At least 50 Muslims were killed when a terrorist opened... [MORE DETAILS](#)



Turkey opens Europe's biggest theme park



Sena Güler

ANKARA - President Recep Tayyip Erdogan on Wednesday inaugurated Europe's biggest theme park in capital Ankara.

"Ankapark will have major contributions to our city," Erdogan told the opening ceremony of the landmark project, which is also called Wonderland Eurasia. He said the project will increase the brand value of Ankara and visitors will

enjoy the park free of charge until the evening of March 31. "Ankapark, with individually designed 1,217 amusement attractions, also hosts the world's second biggest fountain, which can reach 120 meters... [MORE DETAILS](#)



OIC to discuss NZ terror attacks in Istanbul

Tugrul Cam

ANKARA - Members states of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) will convene in Turkey on Friday to discuss terror attacks in New Zealand, diplomatic sources said on Wednesday. Set for an OIC executive committee meeting on March 22, Turkey invited all the

member states to the meeting to address twin terror attacks on New Zealand mosques last Friday. So far, 20 member states have confirmed their attendance to the meeting. Among the participants will be Iran, Libya, Indonesia, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Sudan, Qatar and Somali, which will attend the meeting... [MORE DETAILS](#)

Nazarbayev: First Kazakh president

ANKARA - Kazakhstan's first President Nursultan Nazarbayev Tuesday resigned after almost three decades in office. "I have decided to step down from the office of president," said the septuagenarian leader, who has ruled Kazakhstan since its independence in 1991, in an address which was broadcast by all

Kazakh national TV channels. Until elections for his replacement, Kassym-Zhomart Tokayev, the head of the Kazakh Senate, will carry out the presidential duties. Nazarbayev, 78, is the first Central Asian leader of the post-Soviet era to willingly leave office. In late February, Nazarbayev dismissed the country's government... [MORE DETAILS](#)



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AnadoluJet's Erbil flights foster Iraq ties

GAZIANTEP - Flights from Turkey's southeastern province of Gaziantep to Erbil, northern Iraq will boost economic ties between the two nations, the governor said

Wednesday. "Flights will increase our trade with Iraq and contribute to Gaziantep in terms of health tourism and eliminate delays in border... [MORE DETAILS](#)