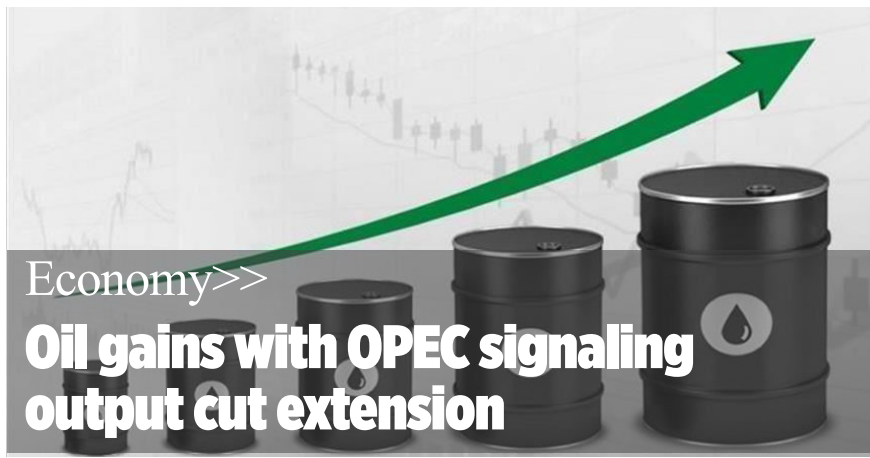




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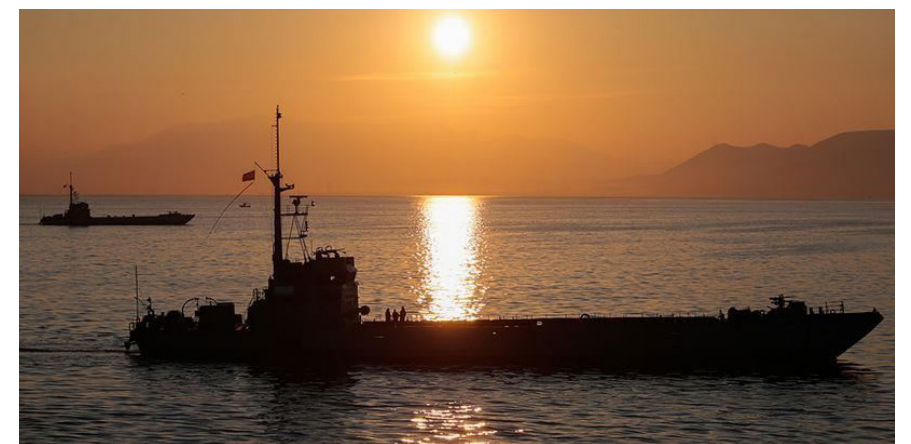
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91 held for cheating Foreign Ministry exam

Arrests made over irregularities in exams favoring members of terrorist FETO group

ANKARA - At least 91 were arrested in Turkey on Monday as part of an investigation into alleged irregularities in the country's Foreign Ministry entry exam with suspected links to the Fetullah Terrorist Organization (FETO). Prosecutors in the capital Ankara issued arrest warrants for 249 suspects on Monday prior to operations in 42

provinces. The suspects had entered the Foreign Ministry in 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013, prosecutors said in a statement. It added that the arrests were made as part of investigations on irregularities made during these exams in favor of FETO members. FETO and its U.S.-based leader Fetullah Gulen orchestrated the... [MORE DETAILS](#)



Turkey, Greece to meet over Aegean

ANKARA - Turkish and Greek defense officials are set to hold talks over issues related to the Aegean Sea in Athens on May 20-25, according to a statement from Turkish Defense Ministry on Monday. "The Technical meeting between the delegations of the Turkish and Greek

Ministries of National Defence, to enhance the cooperation especially in Confidence Building Measures and Code of Conduct in the Aegean Sea, will be held in Athens on 20-25 May 2019," the statement said. On Saturday, footage released by Turkish security sources... [MORE DETAILS](#)



In Yemen, Turkish agency distributes food

Hamdi Yıldız
ADEN - One of Turkey's state-run agencies on Sunday distributed food to poor families and refugees in Yemen's southern port city of Aden. The Disaster and Emergency Management Authority (AFAD) distributed some 800 food packages to needy

people who were forced to migrate from Hudaydah and Taiz cities to Aden. AFAD's Yemen representative Burhan Aslan said some 18,000 food packages will be distributed during Ramadan in Aden, Marib and Taiz. Yemen has been beset by violence and chaos since 2014, when Houthi rebels overran much of... [MORE DETAILS](#)

Net int'l investment position improves

ANKARA - Turkey's net international investment position (NIIP) performed better in March, rising 5.4% compared to the end of last year, according to Turkish Central Bank (CBRT) on Monday. The NIIP, the difference between a country's external assets and liabilities, totaled at minus \$337.1 billion as of March-end, up from minus \$356.2 at the end of 2018, the CBRT

reported. Turkey's assets abroad increased by 4.6% to hit \$241.7 billion during the same period. Country's liabilities against non-residents was around \$578.8 billion in March, down 1.5% from the end of last year. The NIIP -- which can be either positive or negative -- is the value of overseas assets owned by a nation, minus the value of domestic... [MORE DETAILS](#)



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BAGHDAD - Iraqi Shia cleric Muqtada al-Sadr has warned against dragging Iraq into any possible military conflict between the U.S. and Iran. "War between Iran and the U.S. will be an end of Iraq," al-Sadr said on Twitter. "Any party that would drag Iraq into the war... [MORE DETAILS](#)