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Turkey reveals Export Master Plan

Tuba Şahin

ISTANBUL - Turkey announced Thursday its Export Master Plan to realize a goal of sustainable export.

"We aim a sustainable export approach within the scope of the plan," Turkey's Trade Minister Ruhsar Pekcan said at a new meeting in Istanbul.
"We have... MORE DETAILS

Turkey, US discuss latest developments in Syria

Leaders of two countries agree to cooperate on protecting civilians in Idlib de-escalation zone in northwestern Syria



Gözde Bayar

ANKARA - Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan spoke by phone early Thursday with his U.S. counterpart Donald Trump, according to Turkey's Presidential Communications Directorate.
Erdogan and Trump discussed developments in Syria, particularly in Idlib province, as well as bilateral relations, the directorate said in a statement.
It emphasized that both countries agreed on protecting civilians in Idlib and to continue to cooperate to avoid a new humanitarian crisis in the region.
Turkey and Russia agreed last September to turn Idlib into... MORE DETAILS

Germany urges 2-state solution for mideast peace



Diyar Guldogan

ANKARA - Turkey and Belarus are working together to further enhance the bilateral relations, the visiting Turkish top diplomat said on Wednesday.
"We have been working together to further develop our relations in line with the goals that our presidents have set after mutual visits and negotiations," Foreign Minister Mevlut Cavusoglu said at a news conference alongside his Belarusian counterpart Vladimir Makei in the capital Minsk.
Cavusoglu said Turkey and Belarus... MORE DETAILS



Regime, Russia attacks kill 7 civilians in Idlib

Esref Musa

IDLIB - Seven civilians were killed in attacks Thursday by the Assad regime and Russia in northwestern Syria, in an area supposed to be under a cease-fire, according to local sources.
Syrian opposition aircraft monitors said four civilians were killed in a regime airstrike in Maar Shamshah and three others in a Russian airstrike on the village of Alteh, both in the Idlib province, the site of a de-escalation zone.
According to the monitors, regime warplanes also targeted the villages of Telmenes, Al-Deir Al-Sharqi, Al-Bara, Maasran, Jarjanaz, Al-Tamanah, and Kansafra.
On Wednesday, regime airstrikes in Maarat Al-Numan, Idlib killed 10 civilians including five children and injured at least 23 others... MORE DETAILS

Nearly 25M foreigners visit Turkey in 7 months



ISTANBUL - Turkey welcomed 24.69 million foreign visitors in the first seven months of this year, according to new Culture and Tourism Ministry data.
The number of foreigners visiting the country rose 14.1% in January-July from the previous year, according to the data released Thursday.
The historic metropolis of Istanbul remained Turkey's top... MORE DETAILS

Conte gets mandate to form government

Baris Seckin

ROME - Giuseppe Conte, Italy's prime minister, on Thursday got a fresh mandate from the president to form a government.
Conte got the mandate after the populist Five Star Movement (M5S) and center-left Democratic Party (PD) agreed on Conte again becoming premier, after stepping down last week.
He resigned amid the collapse of the coalition government between Five Star and the far-right League Party.
Speaking to... MORE DETAILS