

Տեղի Ունեցաւ Կոչման Արարողութիւնը Հայ Կաթողիկէ Նորընտիր Պատրիարքին



Տանն Կիլիկիոյ Կաթողիկէ Հայոց նորընտիր Կաթողիկոս Պատրիարք Ամենապատիւ եւ Գերեզանիկ Տէր Ռաֆայէլ Պետրոս ԻԱ. ի գահակալութեան հայրապետական մեծաշուք արարողութիւնը, որ տեղի ունեցաւ Կիրակի, 24 Հոկտեմբեր 2021-ին, Պէտքութիւ Կեդրոնական Սբ. Գրիգոր Լուսաւորիչ-Սբ. Եղիա աթոռանիստ եկեղեցւոյ մէջ ընթաց Սուրբ եւ Անմահ Պատարագի համաքրիստոնէական, համալիրանանեան եւ համահայկական մասնակցութեամբ, հանդիսացաւ Սիրոյ եւ Միասնականութեան հրատէր մը:

Արդարեւ, Հայ Կաթողիկէ Եկեղեցւոյ եպիսկոպոսաց դասը մէկ ամիս առաջ՝ անցեալ 23 Եպիսկոպէրին, ընտրելէ ետք Հայ Կաթողիկէ Եկեղեցւոյ նոր հայրապետ՝ յանձնու Ամեն. եւ Գերեզանիկ Ռաֆայէլ Պետրոս ԻԱ. Մինասեանը, անոր գլխուն վրայ զետեղելով սոկեթէլ քողը ապա անոր յանձնելով Պատրիարքական գաւազնը, զինք ուղղեց մինչեւ Պատրիարքական Աթոռ, ուր զինք բազմեցուց, սկիզբ տալով նորընտիր Կաթողիկոս Պատրիարքի պարտականութիւններուն ու պատասխանատութեան պաշտօնական գահակալութեան, որպէսպէս Ան, Եկեղեցիէն տրուած իրաւունքներուն եւ իշխանութեան միջոցաւ՝ ծառաց Աստուծոյ ժողովուրդին:

Հոգեպարար արարողութեան իրենց մասնակցութիւնը բերին մեծ թիւով հաւատացեալներ եւ եկեղեցական ու քաղաքացիական ընկերութիւնը ներկայացնող բարձրաստիճան անձնաւորութիւններ, որոնց շարքին մարտնիթներու Պատրիարք եւ Կաթողիկէ Պատրիարքներու եւ Եպիսկոպոսներու խորհուրդի նախագահ Մար Ղշարա Պութրոս Ռաաի, Յոյն Կաթողիկէ Անտիռքի Պատրիարք Եպովաննէս Եազեծի Ժ. Ներկայացուցիչ առաջնորդ Կոստանդին Քայլալ, Լիքանանի մէջ պապական նուիրակ Գերապայծառ ժողկէֆ Սփիթերի ներկայացուցիչ Գերապայծառ ծոգեփփէ Ֆրանքոն, ՆվազօքՏգծգ Գարեգին Բ. Ամենայն Հայոց Կաթողիկոսի ներկայացուցիչ Դամասկոսի թեմի Առաջնորդ Գերաշնորհ Տ. Արմաշ Արք. Նալպանտիան, Ն.Ս.Օ.Տ.Տ. Արքամ Ա. Մեծի Տանն Կիլիկիոյ Կաթողիկոսի ներկայացուցիչ Լիքանանի թեմի Առաջնորդ Գերաշնորհ Տ. Արք. Շահէ Արք. Փանոսեան, Մերձաւոր Արեւելքի Հայ Աւետարանական Եկեղեցիներու միութեան նախագահ Վերապատուելի Մկրտիչ

Գարակէօգեան, Հայ եւ օտար հոգեւորականներ, սրբազն հայրեր, առաքինազարդ քոյրեր, Հայաստանի արտակարգ եւ լիազօր դեսպան Վահագն Աթաբեկեան, Լիբանանի Հանրապետութեան նախագահ Միշել Առնի ներկայացուցիչ նախարար ձորձ Պութիքէան, վարչապետ Նեժիպ Միքաթի ներկայացուցիչ՝ նախարար ժորժ Քալաս, Խորհրդարանի նախագահի ներկայացուցիչ՝ Երեսփոխան Ցակոր Բագրատունեան, Պէյրութի նահանգապետ դատախազ Մարուան Ապավուտ, պետական, քաղա-



քական, զինուորական եւ պաշտօնական անձնաւորութիւններ եւ Հոգեւոր Տիրոջ Հարազատները:

Գահակալութեան կանոնը հանդիսապետեց Հայ Կաթողիկէ Պատրիարքութեան կառավարիչ եւ Բերիոյ թեմի Առաջնորդ՝ Արք. Պետրոս Արք. Միրիաթեան, շրջապատուած Սիւնհողոսական Հայրերով։ Գահակալութեան արարողութեան ընթացքին արաբերէնով Աւետարանը ընթացքեց Ապսի Պատրիարք, իսկ Սուրբ եւ Անմահ Պատարագին ընթացքին արաբերէնով Աւետարանը ընթացքեց Ապսի Պատրիարք, իսկ Սուրբ եւ Անմահ Պատարագին ընթացքին արաբերէն լեզուով ընթացքեց Պատրիարք Ռաաի։

Գահակալութեան արարողութեանին ետք, Հայ Կաթողիկէ Պատրիարքութեան օգնական նվիսկովուս

Արք. Տ. Գէորգ Եպս. Ասատուրեանի եւ ԱՄՆ Տիրամայր Նարեկի թեմի առաջնորդ Արքի. Միքայէլ Եպս. Մուրատեանի առընթերակայութեամբ, Արք. Ռաֆայէլ Պետրոս ԻԱ. Կաթողիկոս Պատրիարքը գլխաւորեց Հայրապետական իր անդրանիկ Սուրբ Պատարագը, որուն ընթացքին արտասանած քարոզին մէջ, երախտագիտութիւն յացտնեց Աստուածածին Նախախնամութեան, որ զինք կոչած է կաթողիկոսութեան առաքելութեան, ու շնորհակալութիւն յատնեց նաեւ ֆրանչիսկոս Սրբազն Քահանայապետին, որ հաստատեց իր ընտրութիւնը, ինչպէս նաեւ Սիւնհողոսական Սբ. Պատրիարք Ռաաի։

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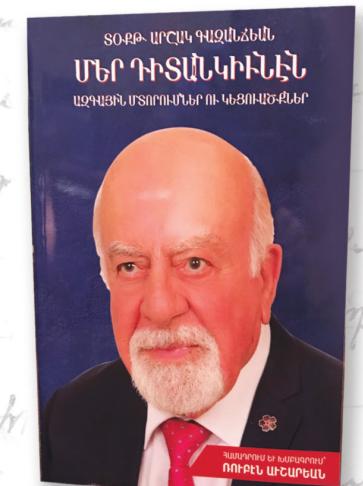


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No Pashinyan-Aliyev Meeting Planned for November 9 – Armenian FM

YEREVAN -- No meeting between Armenian Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan and Azerbaijani President Ilham Aliyev is expected on November 9, Foreign Minister Ararat Mirzoyan said during the Q&A session at the National Assembly.

The comments come in the wake of media reports claiming that an Armenian-Russian Azerbaijani summit was expected in Moscow on November 9. The reports further claimed documents on delimitation and demarcation of the Armenian-Azerbaijani border, as well the unblocking of regional communications was going to be signed.

At the same time, the Foreign Minister said, proposals on different meetings in different formats are constantly being discussed, and as a result of a possible meeting the parties could agree on some text.

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The Foreign Minister emphasized, however, that no documents with the content speculated on social media are going to be signed.

"I would like to note that such meetings are of practical importance to us, as they provide an opportunity to address post-war humanitarian issues, and first of all the soonest release of Armenian prisoners of war and civilians held in Azerbaijan, the protection of the Armenian cultural heritage on territories currently under Azerbaijani control and others," Mirzoyan said.

He noted that in a broader sense such meetings are an opportunity to ease the tension in the region and try to make efforts towards establishing lasting stability and security in the region.

He reminded about the speculations that preceded the trilateral meet-

Vladimir Putin

Resolving Border Issues Between Armenia and Azerbaijan Require Mutual Compromises



MOSCOW — Armenia and Azerbaijan cannot end their simmering border disputes without Russian mediation and mutual concessions, Russia's President Vladimir Putin said at a meeting of the Valdai Discussion Club in Sochi on Thursday.

"The main thing now is to finally resolve the situation on the [Armenian-Azerbaijani] border, and it's impossible to do anything here without Russia's participation," he said. "We probably don't need anyone except Russia and the two sides. Why? ... Because the Russian army's General Staff has maps showing the borders that existed between Soviet republics in Soviet times."

Putin, who brokered a ceasefire that stopped the Karabakh war last November, said that while Soviet military maps must serve as a basis of the talks the two conflicting sides should be ready for minor territorial swaps and other mutual concessions.

"There are things there that also require mutual compromises," he said. "Something could be straightened [on the map] in some places and swapped in others."

At the same time, he stressed that Moscow is also considering a multilateral option for resolving this situation, in particular the OSCE Minsk Group. "We are working on this, including with our partners, it is important to achieve the main goal – the security situation and the construction of future relations in a positive way," the President said.

He reminded that the trilateral statement provides for a possible extension of the stay of the Russian peacekeeping contingent in the conflict zone. "But that's not the point, what's the most important is how to build relations between the two countries, and I hope that we will be able to do this," Putin stated.

Armenian President Pays Historic Visit to Saudi Arabia



October 26, 2021 will mark a special page in the history of Armenian-Arab relations, particularly between the Republic of Armenia and Saudi Arabia.

Armenian President Armen Sarkissian paid a working visit to Saudi Arabia today. This unprecedented event

is definitely a turning point in Armenia's international relations.

No Armenian official has ever visited the country since Armenia's independence in the absence of diplomatic relations between Armenia and

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ACA Delegation Discuss Future of Armenia With Ambassador Makunts



WASHINGTON, D.C. – Armenian Council of America (ACA) Chairman Sevak Khatchadorian, accompanied by ACA's Washington DC Representative Taniel Koushakjian, met with Ambassador Makunts on Oct. 21, to congratulate her on her recent appointment and for being the first female envoy from Yerevan to the US.

Ambassador Makunts updated the ACA delegation on the current state of affairs in Armenia, economic issues in the region, the continued stable progression of democracy through the recent municipal election held in Armenia, the aftermath of the war of aggression initiated by Azerbaijan in 2020 and the status of POWs currently held illegally by the Azerbaijani regime.

"It was a pleasure meeting Ambassador Makunts and discussing issues of importance to Armenian Americans. We appreciate the Ambassador's

candor on a myriad of complex issues facing Armenia today and her steadfast commitment to utilize diplomacy to the maximum extent in helping resolve these issues," stated Khatchadorian. "When looking at the status of the U.S.-Armenia relations, there are various aspects in which bilateral ties can be strengthened. We look forward to working towards common goals and advancing our mutual interests," he added.

The Armenian Council of America is committed to promoting the civic and civil rights interests of the Armenian American community. ACA also aims to strengthen U.S. – Armenia and U.S. – Artsakh ties, the development of programs promoting sustainable economic growth and good governance in Armenia, while promoting the values and responsibilities of global citizenship.

Turkey's Active Involvement in the War Against Nagorno-Karabakh Undermined Armenia's Trust in NATO



YEREVAN — NATO member Turkey's active involvement in last year's war in Nagorno-Karabakh undermined Armenia's trust in the U.S.-led alliance, Defense Minister Arshak Karapetyan told a visiting NATO envoy on Thursday.

Javier Colomina Piriz, the NATO secretary general's new special representative for the South Caucasus and Central Asia, held separate talks with Karapetyan and Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan during his first visit to Yerevan.

Official Armenian sources said the talks focused on the future of Armenia's relations with NATO as well as regional security and the current situation in the Karabakh conflict zone in particular.

The Armenian Defense Ministry said Karapetyan spoke about "NATO member Turkey's role in the 44-day war unleashed against Artsakh." He said that it "reduced confidence towards NATO in the task of maintaining peace and stability in the region," the ministry added in a statement.

It did not specify whether Karapetyan, who has frequently visited Russia since being appointed defense minister in July, signaled Yerevan's plans to reconsider its relationship with the alliance because of

that.

A separate statement released by the Armenian government's press office, said Pashinyan "attached importance, in the political sense, to cooperation with NATO." It was not clear whether he too complained about the Turkish involvement in the six-week war stopped by a Russian-brokered ceasefire last November.

According to Pashinyan's press office, Piriz said NATO stands ready to use its ties with regional states to contribute to peace and stability in the South Caucasus.

Turkey provided decisive military assistance, including sophisticated weapons and personnel, to Azerbaijan during the hostilities. Ankara also sent Islamist mercenaries from Syria to fight in Karabakh on the Azerbaijani side. The Turkish and Azerbaijani governments deny that.

Shortly after the outbreak of the Karabakh war, President Emmanuel Macron of France, another key NATO member state, also accused the Turks of recruiting "Syrian fighters from jihadist groups" for Azerbaijan.

"A red line has been crossed, which is unacceptable," Macron said on October 1, 2020. "I urge all NATO partners to face up to the behavior of a NATO member."

Armenian Government Expects 7% Economic Growth in 2022

YEREVAN — Prime Minister Nikol Pashinian said on Monday that his government expects the Armenian economy to continue its recovery from a coronavirus-related recession and grow by 7 percent next year.

"Despite the fact that the most part of the past year was marred by an unstable political environment, our economy exceeds all the growth forecasts for 2021. Furthermore, the government hopes for more based on the results of the past year," Pashinyan said at the discussion of the draft budget for FY 2022 at the joint sitting of the Standing Committees of the National Assembly.

"I am pleased to note that in September 2021, an absolute record number of 651,141 paid jobs was registered in the Republic of Armenia. We have never had a higher index in Armenia. The previous maximum of 631,966 jobs was registered in September 2020. This year's figure is 3% higher

than last year," PM Pashinyan said.

"Against the background of the rather high inflation of 6.4% this year, it can be emphasized that in September the gross salary fund increased by 15.3% or 19 billion 308 million drams as compared to September of the previous year, and the salary of one employee increased by 11.9% or 23,782 AMD as compared to September of the previous year. Exports have increased significantly by more than 20%, not only the export of mining resources, but also manufactured and agricultural products. The volume of construction has increased by 7% this year, the growth of services as of September was more than 5%. These factors make the 7% economic growth target realistic," PM Pashinyan stated.

According to the draft, the budget revenues for 2022 are expected to amount to 1 trillion 946 billion drams, which is 17% more than in 2021 and 25% more than in 2020.

Norway, Moderna Pledge Biggest Vaccine Donation to Armenia

YEREVAN — The Norwegian government and Moderna have pledged to give Armenia more than 620,000 doses of a coronavirus vaccine manufactured by the U.S. biotech company, Health Minister Anahit Avanesyan announced on Friday.

Avanesyan said the Armenian Ministry of Health signed a "trilateral agreement" to that effect with them on Thursday.

"Thank you the Kingdom of Norway and the Moderna company for your efforts to overcome the pandemic," she wrote on her Facebook page.

Avanesyan said that the European Union will assist in the upcoming shipments of Moderna's Spikevax vaccine to Armenia. She gave no dates for their delivery.

Moderna's co-founder and chairman, Noubar Afeyan, is an Armenian-American billionaire businessman. Afeyan has financed various charity projects in Armenia.

Armenia has already received smaller quantities of vaccines donated by the governments of France, Belgium, Lithuania, China and Russia.

Health authorities in the South Caucasus state began using earlier this month 50,000 doses of Spikevax provided by the Lithuanian government. Armenians were previously inoculated only with Chinese and Russian vaccines as well as the AstraZeneca jab developed by Oxford University.

Avanesyan said in July that Armenia will buy this fall 50,000 doses of Johnson & Johnson's single-dose vaccine and 300,000 doses of the Novavax jab. Shortly afterwards the Armenian government allocated funds for the



purchase of 300,000 doses of the Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine. None of those vaccines have been imported yet.

The latest donation pledge comes as the authorities in Yerevan are trying to speed up the slow pace of vaccinations in the country of about 3 million amid rising coronavirus cases and hospitalizations that have overwhelmed the Armenian healthcare system.

As of October 17, just over 403,000 people there received at least one dose of a coronavirus vaccine and only about 185,000 of them were fully vaccinated.

Starting from October 1, all Armenian workers are required to get inoculated or take coronavirus tests twice a month at their own expense. Avanesyan said last week that the authorities could also introduce a mandatory coronavirus health pass for entry to cultural and leisure venues.

The Ministry of Health said on Friday that 42 more Armenians have died from COVID-19 in the past day. The ministry also reported five other deaths indirectly caused by the disease.

Cyprus-Armenia Relations Discussed in Nicosia



NICOSIA -- On October 25, the delegation led by the Speaker of the RA National Assembly Alen Simonyan met with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cyprus Nikos Christodoulides.

The President of the Armenian National Assembly hailed the effective cooperation of the two countries in bilateral and multilateral format. He attached great importance to the soonest launch of the Cyprus-Armenia-Greece parliamentary cooperation format, especially in the situation created after the 44-day war. In this context,

views were exchanged on regional security and stability issues.

Touching upon the Cyprus issue, Alen Simonyan noted that Armenia will continue to support Cyprus in international organizations and stands for peaceful settlement of the issue through negotiations, based on the principles of the UN resolutions.

The sides agreed to do their utmost to further strengthen cooperation and friendship. The Minister of Foreign Affairs of Cyprus emphasized

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Armenia Confirms Participation in Eurovision Song Contest 2022



YEREVAN -- Armenia's Public TV has confirmed participation in Eurovision Song Contest 2022.

A total of 41 broadcasters have thus confirmed the participation in the event.

Martin Österdahl, Executive Supervisor of the Eurovision Song Contest, shared his thoughts on the line-up:

"We are so excited that we once again have over 40 broadcasters competing to win the iconic Eurovision trophy in Turin next May," said Martin Österdahl, Executive Supervisor of the Eurovision Song Contest.

"The team from Rai are working hard on preparations to welcome all the delegations to a new Host City and ensuring the Eurovision Song Contest will provide the excitement and state-of-the-art spectacle expected by nearly 200 million viewers," he added.

Armenia was slated to compete at the 2021 Eurovision Song Contest but was forced to withdraw from the competition due to issues facing the country.

Armenia debuted at the Eurovision Song Contest in 2004 and is yet to win

the competition. The country's achieved its best result in the event in 2008 (Sirusho) and 2014 (Aram Mp3) when it placed 4th in the Grand Final.

Armenia has partaken in the contest 13 times and has competed every year since its debut with the exception of 2012 and 2021 when the country decided to withdraw from the competition.

The Armenians have enjoyed much success in Eurovision, garnering a total of 7 top 10 placings in their 13 year Eurovision history.

Athena Manoukian was set to represent Armenia at the 2020 Eurovision Song Contest in Rotterdam with her entry 'Chains on you', but due to the cancellation of the event she was not able to grace the Eurovision stage.

The Italian city of Turin has won the race to become the Host City of the 66th Eurovision Song Contest, having triumphed over 16 other competing bids.

The Grand Final will be held in PalaOlimpico on Saturday 14 May with Semi-Finals on 10 and 12 May.

Eight Nobel Prize Winners, NASA's First Armenian Astronomer Expected for STARMUS Festival in Armenia

YEREVAN (Armradio) – Armenia will host the 6th STARMUS science and art festival next year. Armenian President Armen Sarkissian, Founding Director of STARMUS Festival Garik Israelyan, Ministers of High-Tech Industry Vahagn Khachatryan and Minister of Education, Science, Culture and Sports Vahram Dumanyan made the announcement within the framework of the Armenian Summit of Minds in Dilijan.

Announcing the festival, President Sarkissian said it will bring together thousands of participants from different parts of the world.

"It is the best way to encourage our young people, because their future, the future of their families, the future of Armenia will be connected with new technologies, ideas and science. The greatest wealth of our country are people, talented people. Those people must be supported, helped to develop. The best way is to educate and encourage the younger generation and make them believe that they really have a future, both in Armenia and in the world. STARMUS

was about rock music and astronomy before the fifth festival, and the sixth STARMUS, which will be held in Armenia, will be different. It will be a festival about music in general, from classical to rock, it will be a festival not only about astronomy, astrology, but also about modern science in general, from astronomy, physics to biology, to artificial intelligence," he added.

The founding director of the festival Garik Israelyan said that it has been recognized as the best scientific festival in the world twice.

"We are proud of that, because there are more than 50 science festivals in the world. The scientific format is very well known in the US, Germany and Australia, but there has never been a scientific festival in Armenia," said Garik Israelyan.

He noted that the main goal of the festival is to connect the society to science, because there is a big gap, which is growing.

Announcing the first 30 participants, Israelyan said attending the event will be eight Nobel Prize winners,

Armen Aroyan Library-Museum Dedicated at Armenian Cilicia Evangelical Church



BY KEVORK KEUSHKERIAN

The dedication ceremony for the Armen Aroyan Library-Museum took place in the backyard of the Armenian Cilicia Evangelical Church in Pasadena on Saturday, October 9, 2021, starting at 5:30 p.m.

The Armenian Evangelical Cilicia Church is the first Armenian church in Pasadena, established in 1922 as the Armenian Congregational Mission of Pasadena. Later, in 1927, the church changed its name to the Armenian Cilicia Congregational Church. The current location of the church, 1339 Santa Anita Avenue, was purchased in 1991.

Rev. Serop Megerditchian, the senior pastor of the church, offered the opening prayer, and then invited the Master of Ceremony, Mr. Ara Assilian, to facilitate the dedication. Mr. Assilian is the Chairman of the Church's Parish Council.

In his remarks, Mr. Assilian paid homage to Armen Aroyan's 40 years of service as the Choir Director of the church. He then expressed his and the Church Council's gratitude for Mr. Aroyan's generous contribution to the church, in which an empty room was renovated into a reputable Library-Museum, where more than 3,000 of Mr. Aroyan's historical books, rare coins, stamps and copper artifacts were given a home for permanent display.

Mr. Assilian also donated a rare rock from Mount Ararat, brought to him by Harout Der Tavitian, who had led an expedition to the top of the Armenian mountain from Turkey's side. It will be part of the permanent exhibition in the newly dedicated Armen Aroyan Library-Museum.

Rev. Berdj Djambazian, Minister to the Union, thanked God for this unique opportunity and praised Armen Aroyan for his years of service to the Armenian Cilicia Evangelical Church.

Next, Rev. Kevork Terian, the former senior pastor of the Armenian Cilicia Evangelical Church, took to the podium and spoke about Armen's dedication to his clients, whom he took on a pilgrimage to their ancestral lands in Western Armenia.

I could attest to this firsthand, as my wife and I went to Western

Armenia with Armen Aroyan in the Fall of 2007. We began our tour from Istanbul and one of the sites that we visited was the tomb of the newly assassinated Armenian newspaper editor, Hrant Dink. Armen Aroyan made an extra effort to take the group to each participant's ancestral home. Thus, we visited the village of Gemerek, the birthplace of my mother in law's parents, in the province of Sivas (Sepastia).

Among other places that we visited was the village of Peri in the province of Kharpet, where my father in law was born. The group was gathered around the fountain in the village's main square, while I was chatting with some of the local villagers. There, I learned that the valley nearby was called the valley of Dakess, after my father in law's family name, Dakessian.

When I mentioned this to Armen, on the way back, he made an extra effort to go back and visit the same valley. Then my wife recalled that her aunt used to tell her about her father being slain on top of the hill that belonged to him and dragged down to the river Euphrates. Talk about emotions and deeply hurt feelings, that surfaced with this sudden revelation. Its hard to put into words, and we have Armen to thank for the experience.

The cultural program included a dance performance presented by members of Patil Dance Academy and a musical recital presented by Vem Musical Ensemble of UCLA, under the direction of Movses Boghosian.

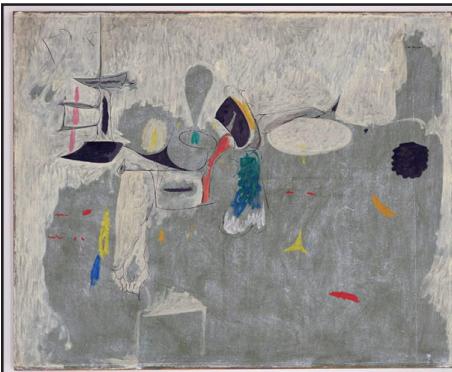
Peter Cowi, UCLA Narekatsi Professor of Armenian Studies, was the Keynote Speaker. He dwelled upon Armen Aroyan's vast knowledge of the historical sites in Western Armenia, including the churches, the monuments, the famous convents, and the scattered cemeteries. Unfortunately, some of those sites were in such ruins that they were hard to identify.

In his closing remarks, Rev. Megerditchian thanked everyone for attending the ceremony and noted that the Armen Aroyan Library-Museum will be utilized in the future for lectures, recitals, and exhibitions on a regular basis. He then invited Armen Aroyan to cut the ribbon and invite the guests to visit the Library-Museum.

first visit to Armenia, iPod creator Tony Fadell and others.

NASA's first Armenian astronaut James Baghian, who will be paying his

Arshile Gorky's New Painting Was Hiding in Plain Sight



NEW YORK—A pair of conservators uncovered a lost Arshile Gorky canvas behind a painting on paper by the late Abstract Expressionist during routine maintenance, news.artnet.com reports.

"This discovery is the sort of moment that drew so many of us to art in the first place—the wonder and surprise, the invitation to think beyond what we already know, hints of new horizons," Marc Payot, president of Hauser and Wirth, which will debut the work in a non-selling exhibition in New York next month, told Artnet News in an email.

The painting, which has been dubbed Untitled (Virginia Summer), is being added to a new Gorky catalogue raisonné, due out this month from the artist's foundation.

When Armenian American artist Arshile Gorky finished the painting on paper, *The Limit* (1947), he was in quite a prolific period, making a new work every day. As a result, it appears he was short on materials, and, lacking a stretched canvas to work on, simply placed it atop the earlier work now identified as Untitled (Virginia Summer).

It's quite possible that this isn't the only painting the artist obscured this way. "Curators of museums: It's not a bad idea to take it out of the basement or off the wall, look behind, and see if you've got two paintings instead of one," Matthew Spender, the artist's son-in-law and author of *From a High Place: A Life of Arshile Gorky*, told the New York Times.

Arshile Gorky, Untitled (Virginia Summer) ca. 1946–47. Photo by Jon Etter

Gorky used glue along the edges and kraft paper tape, an adhesive designed for easy removal, to affix *The Limit* onto the canvas, presumably as a temporary measure. But when the artist died the following year, Virginia Summer stayed covered, lost to art history for over seven decades.

Conservators Michaela Ritter and Olivier Masson of the Swiss restora-

tion studio Masson and Ritter undertook the painstaking work of peeling back *The Limit* to reveal the painting underneath. They then constructed a new stretcher on which to safely display the delicate work on paper.

The find is all the more remarkable considering Virginia Summer was hanging quite literally in plain sight at some of the nation's most prestigious museums. The foundation has loaned *The Limit* to both the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., and the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the latter for a major retrospective of the artist in 2009 and 2010.

On the other hand, the discovery wasn't entirely unexpected. Gorky's daughters Natasha Gorky and Maro Spender had already noticed one of the corners of *The Limit* had come unstuck. Clearly, there was paint underneath.

Conservators had long been deemed too risky to try and see what was really under there, but with a lighter work schedule due to the pandemic, Ritter and Masson were able to take the time to do it carefully. As they worked, they came to realize the canvas contained a completed late masterpiece by the artist, an aqua-colored abstract canvas filled with biomorphic shapes.

At the time, Gorky was experimenting with new techniques, mixing oil and turpentine for a more fluid, expressive style.

"Gorky was incredibly inventive in his last years," Payot said. "This painting gives us additional insight into his own revelations and wonder at that time. It's thrilling for us to share a newly found masterpiece with the public, as well as scholars and artists who have long loved and been inspired by Gorky's work."

Because the work had never been exposed to light, the colors remained as vibrant and fresh as the day Gorky painted them. "[It was] like an explosion compared to *The Limit*," Masson told the Times. "It was so well protected. I would say it's in mint condition."

No Meeting Planned

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ing in Moscow on January 11, 2021, which, he said, had nothing to do with the text eventually adopted.

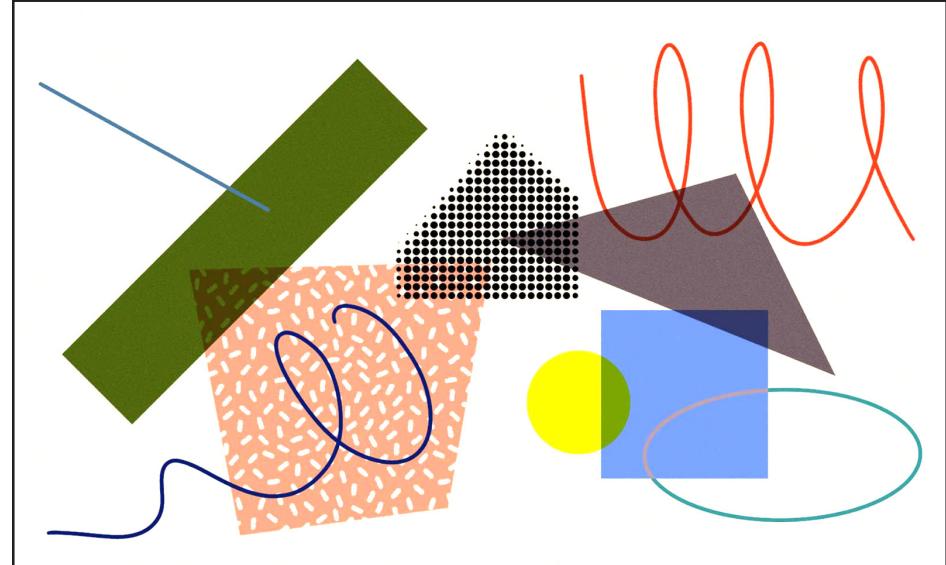
The Armenian government reacted over the weekend to reports that the leaders of Armenia and Azerbaijan will meet in Moscow next month to sign two more far-reaching agreements.

Aliqmedia.am said that Russian President Vladimir Putin will host on November 9 fresh talks between Pashinyan and Aliyev that will be timed

to coincide with the first anniversary of a Russian-brokered deal that stopped the war in Nagorno-Karabakh.

Citing unnamed Armenian diplomatic sources, the publication claimed that Aliyev and Pashinyan will sign two agreements envisaging the demarcation of the Armenian-Azerbaijani border and the opening of transport links between the two South Caucasus states. It said one of those documents will also commit Baku and Yerevan to recognizing each other's territorial integrity.

In View: The New Western Armenian Culture Program



ԱՐԴ ԵԼՈՒ / In View is a new grant program dedicated to culture and creativity in the Western Armenian language. It is launched by the Armenian Communities Department of the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation. Through this new flagship initiative, the Department will support cultural production in Armenian, seeking to reinforce the intrinsic relationship between language and culture. Western Armenian will be the main vehicle of creation.

Culture and identity, especially in diasporan contexts, constantly evolve. Each generation creates its own culture, building on the achievements and aesthetics of the previous generations. The Foundation wishes to support this process of innovation, creation and identity (re)formulation by providing Armenian creatives the opportunity and the means to express themselves through any medium and in ways relevant to their current realities.

There is a pressing need for a strong and vibrant contemporary culture in Western Armenian. The most effective way to ensure the vitality of any endangered language is to generate new culture in it — a culture that is

relevant to and created by younger generations. Armenian language and culture cannot remain in seclusion while we constantly witness paradigm shifts in global dynamics, technological innovation at breakneck speeds, fluid identities and environmental catastrophes. It is imperative that the language and culture constantly engage with the world in order to thrive, remain vibrant and relevant.

More specifically, the aim of the **ԱՐԴ ԵԼՈՒ / in view** program is to give creative minds the chance to develop contemporary cultural initiatives conceived and implemented in the Western Armenian language.

ԱՐԴ ԵԼՈՒ / in view encourages creative expressions of ideas, experiences, and emotions in a wide range of media, including the arts (visual, performing), interdisciplinary and hybrid forms of expression, literature, critical essays and graphic novels, videos, installations, animation, new music, creative broadcasting, and any other form of cultural expression in Western Armenian.

For more information and to apply visit the website <https://gulbenkian.pt/armenian-communities/>

Armenian President Pays Historic Visit

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Saudi Arabia.

President Sarkissian took a historic step, paying the first-ever visit to a country with a unique role in the Arab and Islamic world.

At the airport in the capital of Saudi Arabia, Armen Sarkissian was greeted at the highest state level. He was welcomed by the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Saudi Arabia Adel al-Jubeir, and according to the official protocol, the state flag of the Republic of Armenia was raised at the airport.

President Sarkissian attended an international conference in Riyadh and spoke with Saudi Arabia's de facto

ruler, Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman.

Sarkissian sat next to Crown Prince Mohammed at the opening ceremony of the Future Investment Initiative forum held later in the day and also attended by other foreign leaders. The presidential press office reported on Wednesday that the two men talked to each other during the event.

"The President of Armenia and the Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia talked about the need to develop relations between the two countries and their future," it said. "It was noted that the rich historical ties between the two peoples are a good basis for building future interstate relations."

Cyprus-Armenia Relations Discussed

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the invaluable role of the Armenian community in the public and political life of Cyprus.

Reference was also made to the full use of the opportunities provided by the Armenia-EU Comprehensive and

Enhanced Partnership Agreement in the context of the development of Armenia-EU relations.

The interlocutors discussed the investment opportunities of the Cypriot side, emphasizing the importance of economic and tourism cooperation with Cyprus.

ԱՊՀ Երկրների «Անճոռնի ճուտիկը»

Շարունակուած էջ 2-էն

րի ընկած մեր զինուորներին ո՞չ աւելի, ո՞չ պակաս՝ նա որակեց ահաբեկիչներ, ու թէեւ, իր խօսքերով, պատերազմն աւարտուած է, ու «կոնֆլիկտը՝ լուծուած», նա շարունակուած է պահել նրանց՝ ամէն անգամ մէկնուածէկին փոխանակելով իր ցանկութեան դիմաց որեւէ բանով: Ընդ որում՝ գերիները վերադառնուած են խոշտանգուած, հիւծուած ու տանջահար, ոմանք՝ արդէն իսկ գլխատուած կած սպանուած: Նա գանգատուած է, որ քարտէզները 25 տոկոսով են ճշգրիտ արտայատուած իրականութիւնը, եւ աւելի քան 150 ատրպէճանցի պայթել է ականների վրայ՝ ոտք դնելով Արցախի հողին, այժմնքն՝ Ալիեւին թւում է, թէ հայ ժողովուրդը պաշտպանութեան իրաւունք չունի եւ չի կարող սեփական հողը պաշտպանել զալթիչներից: Մինչ մեզանից թաքցուած է Ատրպէճանում հայ գերիների թիւը եւ թէ նրանց մէջ կա՞ն, արդեօք, կանաչը, մեր կողմուած ոչ մի ատրպէճանցի գերի չկայ, ուստի եւ դրանց փոխանական մասին հարց չի դրւում:

Ալիեւը բարձր ամպիւններից խօսուած է խաղաղութիւնից, ու հենց այդ նոյն պահին հրետակոծուած են հայկական շիներն ու զիւղերը, սահմանային դիրքերը, այսինքն՝ «խաղաղութիւն» ասուածն ատրպէճանական տէրմիաբանութեանը բոլորի հայտին ոչ թէ գանգատ, այլ ուղղակի մեղադրանք է՝ ծառացուած է որպէս նպատակային թիրախ՝ աշխարհը վերաբարեւութեան քառիներն բաժանելու հարցուած, ակնառու է Ութքաինացի, Վրաստանի օրինակով եւ այսօր էլ նրանից հայաստանը բաժանելու փորձերով:

Ասեւ, թէ այդ վտանգը չեն զգուած ԱՊՀ երկրները, միամտութիւն կը լինի. հենց միաց այն, որ Պելառուսն ու Ռուսաստանը միութիւն կազմեցին, վտանգն զգալու եւ պաշտպանուելու վառ օրինակ է: Ռուսաստանի եւ Պելառուսի պաշտպանութեան նախարարութիւնների համատեղ կոլեգիայի նիստուած Մերգեյ Շոյգուն ընդգծել է. «Ընդլայնուած է ՆԱՏՕ-ի բերկի առաջաւոր ներկայութիւնը Ռուսաստանի եւ Պելառուսի միութեանական պետութեան սահմանների մօտ, կատարելագործուած է նրա ուղղական ենթակառուցուածքը, ստեղծուած են սպառազինութեան, ուազմական տէխնիկայի եւ նիւթական միջոցների պաշարներ, մշակուած են զօրքերի տեղափոխման միջոցառումներ...»: Գմուռանաք թուրքիային ներկայաւութիւնը ՆԱՏՕ-ի անդամ երկրների ցանկուած եւ չմուռանանք, թէ Արցախի դէմ Ատրպէճանի տարած յաղթանակի հարցուած ինչ գերակատարութիւն ունեցաւ թուրքիան, եւ ում է պարտական իր յաղթանակով Ատրպէճանը, եւ ում ասեղն է թիւում Ալիեւը՝ օգտագործելով բարձր ամպիւնները...

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Շարունակուած էջ 7-էն

կայացուցիչներ, Ս. Սարգիս եկեղեցւոյ ազգային մարմիններու անդամներ, ՀՄՄ-եան մեծ ընտանիքի անդամներ եւ Դամասկոսի կողեր:

Ցայտագիրը սկսաւ մէկ վայրկեան լուռթեամբ՝ յարգելով մեր անմահ նահատակներուն յիշատակը: Ապա՝ ուժգին Հնէցին Սուրբիական եւ Հայաստանի քայլերգները:

Բացման խօսքով եւ բեմավարութեամբ հանդէս եկաւ ընկհ. Անոյշ Քէօրողլեան Մարաշլեանը:

Ապա կարճ բացատրական տեսաերիգ մը ցուցադրուեցաւ ներկաներուն, որ պատրաստած էր ընկ. Անդրանիկ Մարաշլեան, սրացին նորոգման եւ զարգացման հանգրուաններուն մասին: ՍԴՀԿ-ի Սուրբոյ Հարաւալի Շրջանի Վարչի Մարտինը, պարծանքով լիշեց եւ պարզեւարեն սրագիրները, որ յառաջիկային պէտք է կատարուին: Եկած է ժամանակը որ նպատակադրուած աշխատինք, շատ խիզախ աշխատինք, ըստ պահանջներու եւ մեր նոր սերունդը դատիրակենք, ըստ նոր պահանջներու....» Ապա Դամասկոսի հայոց



Տէր Արմաշ եպս. Նալպանտեանը, ընկ. Վազգէն Համալեանը ու ընկ. Յովսէփ Խապոյեանը պարզեւարութիւնների հոր կողմէ կայսէփէրկով Մովսէս Խորենացին. «Թէեւ մենք փոքր ածու ենք, բայց մեր երկրին մէջ ալ կան քաջազործութիւններ, սիրանքները: Ընդհանրապէս մենք դամասկոսի մէջ ալ ունինք քաջործութեաններ, մենք սերեն մէր թամբամտելով: Սակայն մենք դամասկոսի մէջ ալ ունինք քաջործութեան գարքեան, Ծիածակ Հայոց Խէջո՛ Տիար Վահէ Սնածարեան, Ծիկեր Աւետիս Զուլիշեան, Ծիկին Մարիա Յովիակիմեան Զարքեան, Ծիկեր Կարպակտ Ղարիպեան, Ծնկ. Աւետիս Ղարիպեան, Ծնկեր Շաւարչը Ակինեան, Տիար Հայէկ Օգումուշեան, Տիար Վարդգէս Պօղոսեանը:»

Նաեւ յատուկ շնորհակալութեան խօսք յայտարարուեցաւ Վարիչ Մարմինի անդամներէն՝ ընկ. Արա Քարլովեանին, ընկ. Սարգիս Գասսարճեանին եւ ընկ. Տիգրան Մերիկանին, որոնք ջանք չխնայեցին, հսկելով բարենորոգման այս հսկայական աշխատանքը:

Եւ Վերջապէս յատուկ շնորհակալական խօսք յայտնուեցաւ, յանձնին մէծ բարերար ընկեր Վազգէն Գալթաքճեանին, որ տասնեսօթը տարիներ առաջ յաղթանակի հարցուած ինչ դերակատարութիւն ունեցաւ թուրքիան, եւ ում է պարտական իր յաղթանակով Ատրպէճանը, եւ ում ասեղն է թիւում Ալիեւը՝ օգտագործելով բարձր ամպիւնները:»

Տիկ. Արմիկ Ակինեան Պարսպուանի շատ ազգութեան անդամներ, իր սրահին ու շնորհակալութեան նորոգման համար անդամները մէծ մէր առաջարկուութեանները:

Արաբերէն լեզուով շնորհակալութեան խօսք յայտնուեցաւ՝ այն արաբախոս երկրաչափներուն եւ աշխատականներուն, որոնք այս գործին մէջ իրենց ներդրուածը բերին: Սուրբոյ Համալեանի կող-

