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Transcultural Narratives from the
Middle East and North Africa



water reactor opens

TEHRAN — In a ceremony on Monday, the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran (AEOI) started the first stage of installing equipment at the Arak heavy water reactor, including the secondary circuit.

Ali Akbar Salehi, the AEOI chief, who had attended the ceremony, said, "One of the largest achievements of Iran in nuclear technology is planning and building

Patrushev: U.S. involved in harboring
ISIL to Afghanistan

Secretary of Russian National Security Council Nikolai Patrushev said that there are between 2,500 to 4,000 ISIL (ISIS) terrorists in Afghanistan and that the U.S. is involved in harboring ISIL fighters to Afghanistan.

Patrushev said that there are many evidences that the United States is involved in harboring ISIL forces to Afghanistan.

He said that growth of narcotics in Afghanistan is a major source of financing

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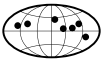
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*Area (Metro): 2,235 km² / Population (Metro): 16,000,378 (2018) / Country: Iran





First: Azadi Terminal
The terminal is a place where you witness the majority of Iranians migrate from the West of the country to the capital. At the terminal thousands of people migrate to Tehran on a daily basis.





Second:
I also migrated to Tehran and currently live downtown of the capital. There are more working class folk on my street than any other place I've been to in the capital. When out for a walk, or grocery shopping, on my way to the gym beneath the trees you can see people in thought, in thought of leaving the country.





Third:
When someone has experienced and lived through migration it becomes easier for them to migrate again. In the meantime I go to my English classes and I don't know till when I too will be in-between the trees amongst the people in my street.





Turkish team to discuss Syria, Libya conflicts in Russia

A Turkish team was in Russia on Monday for talks on the conflicts in Syria and Libya, following reports that tens of thousands more Syrians were heading to Turkey, which is already host to the world's biggest refugee population.

President Tayyip Erdogan said on Sunday more than 80,000 civilians in Syria's northwest Idlib province were migrating towards Turkey after Russian and Syrian forces intensified their air strikes in the area in recent days.

Turkey-based Humanitarian Relief Foundation (IHH) said 120,000 Syrians in south Idlib were fleeing towards the border.

The visit to Moscow by the Turkish delegation, led by Deputy Foreign Minister Sedat Onal, was taking place before Russian President Vladimir Putin visits Turkey, a member of the NATO alliance that has angered the United States and other Western allies by buying a Russian missile defense system.

Turkey already hosts about 3.7 million Syrians, the largest refugee population in the world. It worries about a new influx.

"We are putting up every effort with Russia for the attacks to stop, and we will continue to do so. In fact, we are sending a delegation to Moscow," Erdogan said in his comments on Sunday.

Syrian President Bashar al-Assad has vowed to recapture the Idlib region, the last significant area of Syria still under rebel control after 8-1/2 years of civil war.

Turkey has backed Syrian rebels fighting Assad, while Russia and Iran support Assad's forces. Ankara, Moscow and Tehran have been working on a political solution to the conflict.

The Turkish delegation will also discuss Turkey's potential troop deployment and military support to Libya, after Ankara and Tripoli signed a military cooperation accord last month.

Russia has said it was concerned about any such deployment.

Erdogan said on Sunday that Turkey could increase military support to Faye al-Serraj's U.N.-backed Government of National Accord (GNA), which has been fighting off an offensive by east Libya forces led by Khalifa Haftar.

Russia, alongside Egypt and the United Arab Emirates, have backed Haftar's forces. (Source: TRT)

Saudi court releases MBS aides in Khashoggi murder trial

Five sentenced to death over Jamal Khashoggi's murder



PERSPECTIVE

This is a collaborative photography project across the MENA region in which 7 photographers from 7 different cities are brought together to provide a personal visual narrative of their city, offering an alternative narrative to the often negative or geopolitical representation of that city in the media.

Each photographer was assigned a specific day of the week for a period of time to portray their city from a local and personal point of view, and to replace the contested political images of their native cities.

This project aims to present a collective voice that connects throughout the Middle East

and North Africa regardless of religious, social or political context. It brings together local visual voices to tell a story of their cities, culminating in an exhibit and newspaper publication.

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