The Azerbaijan Army's serviceman was seriously wounded as a result of the Armenian provocation

Republic of Azerbaijan Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0615 hours)

On the evening of May 10, the Armenian armed forces units from the positions in the direction of Zod settlement of the Basarkechar region deliberately committed a provocation by subjecting to intensive fire the Azerbaijan Army's opposite positions using various types of small arms.

As a result of the opposing side's purposeful fire, Azerbaijan Army's long-term active military serviceman Mahmudlu Muslum Vidadi was seriously wounded in the head. The wounded serviceman was immediately taken to a military medical facility. Armenian side has violated the ceasefire once again, despite warnings to end its provocations and not to deliberately escalate the situation.

The Azerbaijan Army Units took necessary retaliatory measures in provocation area. The Armenian military-political leadership bears the entire responsibility for the committed purposeful provocation.

Release #11446

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0700 hours)

On May 11, from 06:00 a.m., the units of the Azerbaijani Armed Forces opened artillery and mortar fire against the Armenian positions located in the direction of Sotk.

The Ministry of Defence will make an additional statement.

Release #11447

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0717 hours)

As of 07:00 a.m., the Armenian side has 2 wounded.

The units of the RA Armed Forces are taking relevant preventive and protective measures.

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The Minister of the Defence of Azerbaijan has also spread a disinformation as if on the evening of May 10, the RA Armed Forces opened fire against the Azerbaijani positions, resulting in a wounded soldier of Azerbaijani armed forces.

The Ministry of Defence will make an additional statement.

Release #11448

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0728 hours)

By 07:20 a.m., the units of the Azerbaijani Armed Forces continue artillery and mortar fire against the Armenian positions located in the direction of Sotk.

The units of the RA Armed Forces are taking relevant preventive and protective measures.

The Ministry of Defence will make an additional statement.

Armenia is further aggravating the situation

Republic of Azerbaijan Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0753 hours)

Starting from the morning of May 11, the Armenia armed forces making the situation even more tense, from the positions in the direction of Zod settlement of the Basarkechar using mortars subjected to fire the Azerbaijan Army's opposite positions.

The Azerbaijan Army Units took necessary adequate retaliatory measures.

Release #11449

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0755 hours)

By 07:50 a.m., the units of the Azerbaijani Armed Forces continue artillery and mortar fire against the Armenian positions located in the direction of Sotk.

The units of the RA Armed Forces are taking relevant preventive and protective measures.

An additional statement by the Ministry of Defence is to follow.

Release #11450

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0812 hours)

By 08:00 a.m., the units of the Armed Forces of Azerbaijan continue artillery and mortar fire against the Armenian positions located in the Sotk.

As of 08:00 a.m., the Armenian side has 3 wounded. The armed forces of Azerbaijan opened fire on the ambulance carrying the wounded serviceman.

The units of the RA Armed Forces are taking defensive preventive measures.
An additional statement by the Ministry of Defence is to follow.

Release #11451

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0830 hours)

By 08:25 a.m., the units of the Azerbaijani Armed Forces continue artillery and mortar fire against the Armenian positions located in the direction of Sotk.

The units of the RA Armed Forces are taking defensive preventive measures.

The information disseminated in the Azerbaijani media about the Armenian side using Iranian UAVs does not correspond to the fact. As we have already reported previously, there are no Iranian UAVs in the inventory of the RA Armed Forces.

The Ministry of Defence will release an additional report on the situation.

The Armenian side attempts to expand the scale of its provocations

Republic of Azerbaijan Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0843 hours)

In order to expand the scale of provocations, the Armenian armed forces units using large-caliber weapons and mortars continue subjecting to fire the Azerbaijan Army's positions.

The Azerbaijan Army Units are taking decisive retaliatory measures.

Release #11452

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0850 hours)

As of 08:45 a.m., there is no situation change in the direction of Sotk. The units of the Azerbaijani Armed Forces continue fire against the Armenian combat positions.

The units of the RA Armed Forces are taking relevant defensive preventive measures.

It is relatively stable at the moment in other sections of the border zone. We urge not to publish disinformation and follow only the official news.

The Ministry of Defence will release an additional report on the situation.

Release #11453

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0908 hours)

As of 09:00 a.m., there is no situation change in the direction of Sotk.

At the same time, it is relatively stable in other sections of the border zone.

The Ministry of Defence will make an additional statement.

Release #11454

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0923 hours)

As of 09:20 a.m., there is no situation change in the direction of Sotk.

Some unknown telegram channels are spreading disinformation about the number of wounded.

By 09:20 a.m., the Armenian side has 3 wounded. We urge not to publish unverified information and follow only the official news feed.

The Ministry of Defence will release an additional report on the situation.

Release #11455

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0936 hours)

By 09:30 a.m., the situation in the direction of Sotk continues to be tense.

The units of the Azerbaijani Armed Forces continue fire against the Armenian combat positions.

The units of the RA Armed Forces are taking relevant preventive and protective measures.

The Ministry of Defence will release an additional report on the situation.

Release #11456

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0945 hours)

By 09:45 a.m., the situation in the direction of Sotk continues to be tense.

The Ministry of Defence will release an additional report on the situation.

Release #11457

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0951 hours)

By 09:50 a.m., the situation in the direction of Sotk continues to be tense.

The Ministry of Defence will make an additional statement on the health condition of the wounded servicemen.

The Armenian side spread disinformation

Republic of Azerbaijan Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (0955 hours)

The information spread in the Armenian media about the alleged shooting of the medical vehicle by the Azerbaijan Army Units is false and disinformation.

Release #11458

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (1000 hours)

As of 10 a.m., the tenseness of situation in the direction of Sotk has decreased significantly.

The Ministry of Defence will make an additional statement.

Release #11459

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (1010 hours)

As of 10:10 a.m., the decreasing tenseness of the situation in the direction of Sotk remains the same.

At the same time, it is relatively stable in other sectors of the border zone.

The Ministry of Defence will make an additional statement.

Release #11460

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (1028 hours)

As of 10:25 a.m., the decreasing tenseness of the situation in the direction of Sotk remains the same. At the same hour, it is relatively stable in other sectors of the border zone. As a result of the Azerbaijani provocation, the Armenian side has 4 wounded by 10:20 a.m.. The health condition of the 2 wounded servicemen is assessed as satisfactory, and the other 2 of them are in moderate health condition. The lives of the wounded servicemen are not in danger at the moment.

The Ministry of Defence will release an additional report on the situation.

The Armenian side is creating a basis for the next provocation

Republic of Azerbaijan Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (1033 hours)

We observe the activity of the Armenian armed forces units, which are deploying additional manpower and combat equipment in Zod direction of the Basarkechar region.

By this, the opposing side is attempting to create a basis for the next provocation.

We once again state that the Armenian military-political leadership bears the entire responsibility for the tension in the region.

Release #11461

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (1046 hours)

As of 10:45 a.m., the situation on the front line is relatively stable.

The Azerbaijani Defence Ministry's statement, which unleashed a provocation in the direction of Sotk early morning, as if the Armenian side is preparing for military operations, is another disinformation.

In case of any change, the Ministry of Defence will make a statement.

Azerbaijan Army's serviceman became Shehid as a result of provocation committed by Armenia

Republic of Azerbaijan Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (1124 hours)

As a result of deliberate provocation committed by the Armenian armed forces units, Azerbaijan Army's long-term active military serviceman Novruzalizade Orkhan Elkhan became Shehid.

The Azerbaijan Army Units are taking decisive necessary retaliatory measures. Its units control the operational situation.

The leadership of the Ministry of Defense expresses its deepest condolences to the family and relatives of the Shehid.

May Allah rest the soul of the Shehid in peace!

Release #11462

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (1315 hours)

In the period between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., the units of the Azerbaijani Armed Forces violated the ceasefire in the Sotk sector at regular intervals.

As of 1:00 p.m., the situation on the front line is relatively stable.

The Ministry of Defence will report on any changes to the situation.

Release #11463

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (1404 hours)

No significant ceasefire violations were recorded between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m..

By 2 p.m., the situation on the front line holds relatively stable.

The lives of 4 soldiers, wounded as a result of Azerbaijani provocation, are not in danger.

The Ministry of Defence will report an additional statement.

Release #11464

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (1504 hours)

No significant ceasefire violations were recorded between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m.. By 3 p.m., the situation on the front line holds relatively stable. The Ministry of Defence will report on any changes to the situation.

Release #11465

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (1610 hours)

Between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. no significant ceasefire violations were recorded. By 4 p.m., the situation on the front line holds relatively stable. The Ministry of Defence will report on any changes to the situation.

Release #11466

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (1745 hours)

At around 5:10 p.m., the units of Azerbaijani Armed Forces violated the ceasefire in the direction of Sotk by using mortar fire.

There are no losses from the Armenian side. As of 5:40 p.m., the situation on the front line is relatively stable.

The Ministry of Defence will report on any changes to the situation.

The Azerbaijan Army positions are subjected to artillery fire

Republic of Azerbaijan Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (1739 hours)

Starting from 17:00 on May 11, the Armenian armed forces units from the firing positions in the direction of Zod settlement of the Basarkechar region using D-30 howitzers subjected to fire the Azerbaijani Army positions in this direction of conditional border.

The Azerbaijan Army Units are taking adequate retaliatory measures.

Release #11467

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (1846 hours)

At around 6:25 p.m., the units of Azerbaijani Armed Forces violated the ceasefire in the direction of Norabak using artillery fire.

No losses from the Armenian side.

The Ministry of Defence will report on any changes to the situation.

Release #11468

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (2016 hours)

At around 7:50 p.m., the units of Azerbaijani Armed Forces violated the ceasefire in the direction of Verin Shorzha using mortars.

No losses from the Armenian side. As of 8:10 p.m., the situation on the front line is relatively stable.

The Ministry of Defence will release an additional report on the situation.

Release #11469

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (2212 hours)

There have been recorded no notable ceasefire violations between 8:10 p.m. and 10 p.m..

As of 10 p.m., the situation on the front line holds relatively stable.

The Ministry of Defence will report on any changes to the situation.

Release #11470

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 11 May 2023 (2311 hours)

There have been recorded no notable ceasefire violations by 11 p.m..

The Ministry of Defence will report on any changes to the situation.

Release #11471

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (0834 hours)

There have been recorded no notable ceasefire violations over the night.

As of 8:30 a.m., the situation on the front line holds relatively stable.

The lives of 4 servicemen of the Armenian side wounded as a result of the Azerbaijani aggression on May 11 near Sotk are not in danger. The servicemen are under the hospital's staff supervision.

Information from the Azerbaijan Defense Ministry

Republic of Azerbaijan Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (0959 hours)

On the night of May 11-12, relative calm prevailed in the direction of the Zod settlement of the Basarkechar region of the Azerbaijani-Armenian conditional border.
During the past day, Azerbaijan Army positions stationed in other directions were subjected to fire by the Armenian armed forces a total of 17 times.

The Armenian armed forces units from the positions in the directions of Gulali settlement of the Tovuzgala region, Azizli settlement of the Basarkechar region, Saybali settlement of Garakilsa region using mortars and various caliber weapons 8 times subjected to periodic fire the Azerbaijan Army positions stationed in the directions of Gosha settlement of the Tovuz region, Yellija settlement of the Kalbajar region, and Minkend settlement of the Lachin region.

Moreover, members of illegal Armenian armed detachments in the territory of Azerbaijan, where the Russian peacekeeping forces are temporarily deployed, using various caliber weapons 9 times subjected to periodic fire the Azerbaijan Army positions, stationed in the direction of the Terter, Khojaly, Shusha and Lachin regions.

There are no losses among the military personnel and equipment of the Azerbaijan Army.

The Azerbaijan Army Units took adequate retaliatory measures and control the operational situation in all directions.

Release #11472

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (1042 hours)

On May 12, at around 10 a.m., the Azerbaijani Armed Forces violated the ceasefire in the direction of Sotk using UAVs.

2 servicemen of the RA Armed Forces were wounded. The health condition of one serviceman is assessed as satisfactory and the other one is critical.

As of 10:30 a.m., the situation on the front line is relatively stable.



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Release #11473

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (1157 hours)

On May 12, the Minister of Defence of the Republic of Armenia Suren Papikyan visited the Central Clinical Military Hospital of the MoD and met the servicemen wounded in the wake of the Azerbaijani provocation near Sotk.

The Minister of Defence received the medical staff's report on the wounded servicemen's health condition and their treatment course.

Minister Papikyan wished the wounded soldiers fast recovery.





Information from the Azerbaijan Defense Ministry

Republic of Azerbaijan Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (1349 hours)

On May 12, at 11:30, the Armenian armed forces units in the Zod direction of the Basarkechar region used attack UAVs in the direction of the Azerbaijan Army's opposite positions.

The Armenian side is once again escalating the situation by committing another provocation.

There are no losses among the military personnel and equipment of the Azerbaijan Army.

Release #11474

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (1522 hours)

The lives of 2 servicemen wounded today are not in danger. By 3 p.m., the situation on the front line holds relatively stable.

Release #11475

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (1727 hours)

At around 4:50 p.m., the units of the Azerbaijani Armed Forces set fire from large-caliber rifle weapons against the Armenian combat positions located in the vicinity of Kut.

The units of the RA Armed Forces have taken relevant preventive and protective measures.

The Ministry of Defence will release an additional report on the situation.

Release #11476

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (1755 hours)

By 5:50 p.m., the situation on the front line is relatively stable. The Ministry of Defence will release an additional report on the situation.

Azerbaijan Army's positions were subjected to fire by the use of mortars

Republic of Azerbaijan Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (1757 hours)

On May 12, at 17:15, the Armenian armed forces units in the Zod direction of the Basarkechar region using mortars subjected to fire the Azerbaijan Army's opposite positions.

The Azerbaijan Army Units are taking adequate retaliatory measures.

There are no losses among the military personnel and equipment of the Azerbaijan Army.

Release #11477

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (1923 hours)

At around 7:10 p.m., the units of Azerbaijani Armed Forces violated the ceasefire in the direction of Kut using mortars.

The units of the RA Armed Forces have taken relevant preventive and protective measures.

The Ministry of Defence will report on any changes to the situation.

Armenian armed forces subjected to fire Azerbaijan Army's positions by the use of artillery pieces

Republic of Azerbaijan Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (1927 hours)

On May 12, at about 18:00, the Armenian armed forces units in the Zod direction of the Basarkechar region using D-30 howitzers and mortars subjected to fire the Azerbaijan Army's opposite positions.

The Azerbaijan Army Units are taking necessary retaliatory measures.

The Azerbaijan Army Units did not suffer any losses.

Release #11478

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (1948 hours)

As of 7:40 p.m., the units of the Azerbaijani Armed Forces continue to fire against the Armenian combat positions located in the vicinity of Kut. The units of the Azerbaijani Armed Forces are also using mortars in the direction of the Armenian combat positions located near Sotk.

The units of RA Armed Forces are taking relevant preventive and protective measures.

The Ministry of Defence will report an additional statement.

Release #11479

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (2000 hours)

By 8 p.m., the units of the Azerbaijani Armed Forces continue to fire against the Armenian combat positions located in the vicinity of Kut and Sotk.

The units of the Armed Forces of Armenia are taking relevant defensive preventive measures.

The Ministry of Defence will report an additional statement.

Release #11480

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (2020 hours)

As of 8:20 p.m., there is no change to the situation. The units of the Azerbaijani Armed Forces continue to fire against the Armenian combat positions located near Kut and Sotk.

The units of the Armed Forces of Armenia are taking relevant defensive preventive measures.

The Ministry of Defence once again urges not to disseminate unspecified and false information and to follow the official news feed.

The Ministry of Defence will report an additional statement.

Release #11481

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (2044 hours)

As of 8:40 p.m., the enemy's fire on the Armenian combat positions located in the vicinity of Kut and Sotk has not stopped.

The units of the RA Armed Forces continue to take relevant preventive and protective measures.

The Ministry of Defence will come up with further news release.

Release #11482

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (2101 hours)

By 9 p.m., the intensity of enemy fire against the Armenian combat positions located near Sotk and Kut has significantly subsided.

The Ministry of Defence will come up with additional information.

Information of Azerbaijan Defense Ministry

Republic of Azerbaijan Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (2106 hours)

On May 11 and 12, the Armenian armed forces units in the Basarkechar region used attack UAVs from various directions against several Azerbaijan Army positions in Kalbajar region.

Air targets were detected by Azerbaijan Army Units in time and neutralized before reaching the target as a result of the use of radio-electronic countermeasures.

The presented photo materials show the remains of attack UAVs.



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Release #11483

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (2125 hours)

As of 9:20 p.m., the decrease in the intensity of fire holds.

The Ministry of Defence will come up with further news release.

Release #11484

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (2145 hours)

In the wake of enemy fire, the Armenian side has 1 killed in action and 1 wounded.

By 9:40 p.m., the decrease in the intensity of fire holds.

The Ministry of Defence will come up with further news release.

Release #11486

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (2205 hours)

As of 10 p.m., the subsiding in the intencity *[sic]* of fire holds.

From 9:50 p.m., the units of the Azerbaijani Armed Forces opened fire from small arms and mortars against the Armenian combat positions located in Verin Shorzha.

The Ministry of Defence will come up with further release.

Release #11486

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (2216 hours)

As of 10:15 p.m., the subsiding in the intencity *[sic]* of fire in the vicinity of Sotk and Kut holds.

The intensity of the fire also subsided near Verin Shorzha.

The Ministry of Defence will come up with further release.

Release #11489

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (2216 hours)

As of 10:30 p.m., the subsiding in the intensity of fire in the vicinity of Sotk, Kut and Verin Shorzha holds.

The Ministry of Defence will come up with additional information.

Release #11490

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (2250 hours)

As of 10:45 p.m., no changes to the situation were recorded. The subsiding in the intensity of the fire in the vicinity of Sotk, Kut, and Verin Shorzha holds.

The Ministry of Defence will come up with additional information.

Release #11491

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (2314 hours)

By 11:10 p.m., no changes to the situation were recorded. The subsiding in the intensity of the fire in the vicinity of Sotk, Kut, and Verin Shorzha holds.

As of 11:10 p.m., the Armenian side has 1 killed in action and 2 wounded.

Taking into account that the video footages and photos made by the Azerbaijani propaganda, including fake ones and those taken during the 44-day war, are widely disseminated on various social platforms, we urge you to refrain from any reference to, yet alone publishing them.

The Ministry of Defence will come up with additional information.

Release #11492

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (2328 hours)

The soldier who lost his life while defending the sovereign territory of the Republic of Armenia in the wake of Azerbaijani provocation on May 12, is Narek Norayr Baghdasaryan (born in 2003).

The Ministry of Defence of the RA shares the deep grief of the loss and expresses support to the family members, loved ones and comrades of the soldier who gave his life for the defence of the sovereign territory of the Republic of Armenia.

Release #11493

Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense · 12 May 2023 (2348 hours)

As of 11:45 p.m., no changes to the situation were recorded. The subsiding in the intensity of fire in the vicinity of Sotk, Kut and Verin Shorzha holds.

The Ministry of Defence will come up with additional information.