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Armenia Ignores the International Community

Mr. Elmar Mammadyarov, Azerbaijani Foreign Minister made a statement at the General Debate of the sixty-sixth session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York on September 27, 2011. "For almost two decades we have been facing the flagrant violation of the UN Charter and other documents of international law by the Republic of Armenia, which perpetrated aggression against the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Azerbaijan," Mr. Mammadyarov said. The minister stressed that the conflict resolution must start with the withdrawal of Armenian armed forces from the occupied territories of Azerbaijan, but Armenia continues to ignore the calls of the international community. "We believe that the international community will convince the Armenian side to respect the generally accepted norms and principles of international law and cease abusing the right of Azerbaijanis to live within their own territory, including the Nagorno Karabakh region," minister added.

Over \$100bn Invested in Azerbaijan during Independence

On September 24, 2011 Mr. Shahin Mustafayev, Economic Development Minister of Azerbaijan has reviewed Azerbaijan's progress since it regained its independence 20 years ago. "It is no fluke that Azerbaijan was announced top reformer for improving the business environment in the Doing Business-2009 report, released by the World Bank and International Finance Corporation, and that our country retained its standing in subsequent reports. Azerbaijan retained its leading position among the Commonwealth of Independent States in the Global Competitiveness Report 2011-2012,

developed by the World Economic Forum. In comparison with previous years, Azerbaijan improved its standing by two places, coming 55th out of 142 countries." Minister Mustafayev said. "Every year Azerbaijan's rating increases. GDP growth is 14% and foreign exchange reserves total \$40 billion. Azerbaijan accounts for 75% of the economy of the South Caucasus. Investment in Azerbaijan's economy exceeds \$100 billion." the Minister stressed.

Azerbaijani Language School "Karabakh" Opens in Ottawa

The school of Azerbaijani language "Karabakh" has been launched for the first time in the Ottawa, Canada. The school is founded by Mrs. Nigar Aliyeva and Mrs. Vusala Ahmadova. The main aim of the school is to teach the culture and traditions of Azerbaijani people to the younger generation and also provide broad information about the history, literature and development of Azerbaijan. The full information about the school is available on Facebook on the page of *Karabakh Azeri Saturday Language School*.

Azerbaijan will Host Next International Forum on Diplomatic Training

Directors and deans of more than 100 Diplomatic Academies and Institutes of International Relations came together at the annual International Forum on Diplomatic Training hosted by Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University and decided to hold the next annual forum 2012 in Azerbaijan. The International Forum on Diplomatic Training has been held since 1972. Azerbaijan Diplomatic Academy is the member of this forum since 2006.