

# L'Arménie va racheter des SU 30

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## 24 Diaspora specialists start working for Armenian Government



Starting from September 1, 24 Diaspora Armenian experts are working for the Armenian Government. The specialists hail from Canada, Denmark, Russia, Lebanon, France, Norway, Israel, the Netherlands, and China. Even in the current conditions with the pandemic, circumstances did not

prevent the experts from reaching Armenia.

High Commissioner for Diaspora Affairs Zareh Sinanyan greeted and welcomed the participants of the program, expressing hope that they will have an unparalleled work experience in the homeland.

The director of the "Deji-Hayk" foundation Sevastian Kabakian and the co-founder of the "Repair Armenia" foundation Vartan Manabyan briefed the participants on the peculiarities of the work in the government agencies of Armenia and gave practical advice for rapid integration into the environment.

Due to COVID-19 and limited air travel,

the remaining program participants will arrive in Armenia at a later date.

A total of 100 Diaspora professionals from across the globe will be placed in over 20 different missions/offices in Armenia for one year under the iGerts program initiated and financed by the High Commissioner's Office.



## Package for integration of Lebanese-Armenians submitted for government consideration

A package of programs for the integration of Lebanese-Armenians has been submitted to the government and put into circulation on September 1.

Just 20 days after the High Commissioner Zareh Sinanyan's visit to Lebanon, the integration package covering various spheres will be finalized after receiving feedback and proposals from several departments.



Under the package, Lebanese-Armenians will have access to health, socio-economic, educational and a number of other services.

During the preparation of the package, High Commissioner Zareh Sinanyan has held meetings with Armenian President Armen Sarkisian, Arshak President Annyk Hamanyan, Catholicos of All Armenians Karekin II, and a number of ministers.

## Armenia in talks to purchase new batch of SU-30SM fightersgovernment consideration

Negotiations are under way to acquire a new batch of SU-30SM fighters, Armenian Defense Minister David Tossan said in a conversation with Radio Liberty.

The Sukhoi Su-30SM is a Russian-made twin-engine, two-seat supermaneuverable 4+ generation fighter jet.

It is a multi-role fighter for all-weather, air-to-air and air-to-surface deep interdiction missions.

Last week, a spokesperson for the Federal Service for Military-Technical



Cooperation (FSMTC) of Russia is ready

to discuss with Armenia the supply of an additional batch of SU-30SM generation 4+ fighter.

"The work with the Armenian partners continues. The topic of the purchase of aircraft will be discussed if the Armenian side confirms its interest," said Maria Verobyova, official representative of the FSMTC of Russia.

In 2019, Armenia purchased four Su-30SM fighters from Russia. Yerevan announced plans to buy new aircraft.

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