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d'un "corridor du Zankézour"  
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## Pashinyan again denies rumors on so-called Zangezur Corridor



*Our position is clear: Azerbaijani forces must leave the territory of Armenia – Nikol Pashinyan*

Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan chaired a Security Council meeting on May 17.

In his speech, Pashinyan briefed the members of the Security Council on latest updates from the situation at the Armenia-Azerbaijan border.

“Since May 12, when servicemen of the Azerbaijani armed forces breached the Armenia-Azerbaijan border, the situation had the following change or more accurately had the following dynamics: Starting May 14<sup>th</sup>, some groups of the [Azeri] servicemen pulled back from Armenian territory, a similar process also took place yesterday evening, and there are signs that this could happen today as well, but overall, I find the military-political situation to be unchanged since May 12. Meaning, no big changes from military-political perspective took place, some groups pulled back, but the situation hasn’t changed from that. What does this mean? This means that we must continue to initiate the Collective Security Treaty Organization’s mechanisms and we must continue

working in the direction of utilizing the Armenian-Russian allied mechanisms. Our position is clear – Azerbaijani forces must leave the territory of Armenia,” Pashinyan said, noting that despite his warnings this situation has become a topic for domestic political manipulations.

Pashinyan slammed those who are manipulating this issue and labeled them as “carrying out pro-Azerbaijani activities behind our backs.” He was particularly speaking about the manipulations about the so-called Zangezur Corridor, a narrative brought forward by the Azeri leader but denied by Armenian authorities to have anything to do with reality. Pashinyan said those who are developing the narrative in Armenia are “agents of Azerbaijan’s information war”.

“I want to emphasize that the Republic of Armenia has never and will never discuss a corridor. The discussions which we had are public, they are reflected in the January 11 joint statement and the official information regarding the

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