
AZERBAIJAN RAISES FLAG OVER THE KARABAKH CAPITAL TO REAFFIRM CONTROL

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Azerbaijani President Ilham Aliyev has raised his nations flag over the capital city of a former breakaway region in a ceremony reaffirming Bakus control over it.

The Azerbaijani leader delivered a speech and raised the flag over the city, which is known as Khankendi by Azerbaijan and Stepanakert by Armenians, the presidential office said Sunday.

The Karabakh region, which was previously known as Nagorno-Karabakh and is known to Armenians as Artsakh, is internationally recognized as Azerbaijani territory, but became a breakaway state under the control of ethnic Armenian forces in 1994 following a six-year conflict.

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