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Good afternoon,

I wanted to share a couple resources regarding the situation between Armenia and Azerbaijan.

1. *The Washington Times* published an interview with Azerbaijan's Ambassador to the United States Elin Suleymanov, titled "[Azerbaijan envoy says U.S., other powers must restrain aggressor Armenia.](#)" Ambassador Suleymanov discussed Armenia's aggression and what would be necessary for a ceasefire. He noted, "By attacking civilian targets, Armenia doubles down on its earlier terror tactic of causing mass displacement of Azerbaijan's population. Armenia's military commanders openly state that they have given direct orders to attack civilian targets." Ambassador Suleymanov discussed Russia's involvement with Armenia and expressed concern over deliveries of Russian weaponry to Armenia over the last several months. On Turkey, he noted, "Turkey is neither directly involved and is not a party to the Armenia-Azerbaijan conflict, nor does Turkish military participate in fighting."
2. Agil Gunash, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Representation of Azerbaijan to the Council of Europe, [tweeted](#) photos and said, "On 12th day into #Armenia's act of #aggression against #Azerbaijan, the armed forces of Armenia continue terrorizing civilian population. Indiscriminate shelling of Azerbaijani cities spares nothing, even schools and kindergardens. #KarabakhisAzerbaijan #StopAttackingCivilians"

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,
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