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National Democratic Alliance of Armenia Warns U.S. and Western Leaders of Rising Authoritarianism in Armenia

Yerevan, Armenia/ Washington, D.C.— January 1, 2026, The National Democratic Alliance of Armenia (NDA) has formally warned senior U.S. officials and Western leaders of escalating authoritarianism in Armenia, citing systematic erosion of democratic institutions, growing restrictions on free speech, and serious risks to the integrity of upcoming elections.

In an official letter sent on December 22, NDA Council members Jirayr Sefilian and Ara Papian addressed the Trump administration and its senior officials, pro-Armenian members of Congress and the Senate, the President of the European Commission, and other international leaders. The letter raises concerns over human rights violations and the potential manipulation of Armenia's parliamentary elections scheduled for 2026.

According to the NDA, Armenia faces a critical democratic crisis driven by the government's dismantling of democratic safeguards, pressure on independent media and opposition forces, and the politicization of the judiciary. The letter also highlights politically motivated pressure against the Holy Armenian Apostolic Church and unlawful persecution of clergy and civil society figures.

The organization warns that, as elections approach, the abuse of administrative resources, coercion of public employees, electoral fraud, and political control over election institutions pose grave threats to free and fair voting.

The NDA further notes that Armenia's internal democratic decline is occurring amid heightened external security pressures from Russia, Turkey, and Azerbaijan—conditions it attributes to ineffective and dangerous government policies.

The National Democratic Alliance of Armenia calls on the United States and the broader democratic community to:

- * Support the preservation of democratic institutions in Armenia,
- * Ensure independent and sustained international election monitoring,
- * Maintain high-level international political engagement on Armenia.

“With the support of democratic partners, Armenia can still be prevented from sliding into authoritarian rule,” the National Democratic Alliance of Armenia stated. “Safeguarding democracy and sovereignty, rooted in national identity, remains both possible and urgent.”

****About the National Democratic Alliance**

The National Democratic Alliance of Armenia is a civic and political movement committed to defending Armenia’s sovereignty, democratic governance, and national values.

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**STATEMENT OF THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE
NDA's 2025 Year End Summary and Plans for 2026**

The Armenian people conclude the year 2025 under conditions of a “spiritual war” and complex geopolitical turbulence, where on the one hand there is an assault by the ruling regime against national values and the Church, and on the other hand a revival of Christianity and national resilience.

Unfortunately, it must be stated that under the current geopolitical alignments, Nikol Pashinyan’s regime has managed to secure the support of external powers at the cost of continuous concessions of Armenian interests and thus retain its hold on power.

Moreover, by staging a façade of peace in cooperation with Azerbaijan and Turkey, and by spreading absurd narratives about allegedly resisting a hybrid war waged by Russia against Armenia, the regime—while consolidating external support—is preparing fertile ground for its reproduction in 2026.

Despite the above circumstances, the National Democratic Alliance is determined in 2026 to remove Nikol Pashinyan from power and to hold him accountable for serving the enemy’s agenda.

Despite the escalating wave of state violence by the collaborationist government, the concealment of real and mature external threats, the division of society from within, public calls to disrupt spiritual rites, steps aimed at splitting the Armenian Apostolic Holy Church, actions intended to provoke civil war, and the war waged against the identity and spiritual values of the Armenian people, this campaign—willingly or unwillingly—awakens the segment of society capable of resistance, mobilizing the entire material resources of the Armenian people in resistance efforts.

Supporters of the Alliance must clearly realize and be encouraged by the fact that in this struggle we are not alone, and that despite the many ideological and political contradictions within Armenian society, Christian identity and the Armenian Apostolic Holy Church are the spiritual heritage of the entire Armenian people, and the resources available for their defense are comparable even to those of the current regime.

The challenges facing the Armenian people have long gone beyond being purely political, economic, or security related. Without exaggeration, these are civilizational challenges, and therefore our movement will seek their solutions exclusively on a civilizational plane.

This means breaking out of the frameworks of classical political solutions and being prepared for the boldest approaches to direct existing material resources toward the preservation of the Armenian people and their spiritual revival.

Throughout 2026, the Council of the National Democratic Alliance will continue—both in Armenia and in the Diaspora—to increase the Armenian people’s capacity for resistance guided by this vision, placing its hope in the God-given power of inner transformation and reform that the Armenian people have possessed for millennia, creating new bridges and partnerships, uniting Armenians, and serving the eternal course of the Armenian people.

We bow before our heroes who sacrificed their lives for the homeland.

We congratulate the heroic Sasna Tsrer imprisoned for the salvation of Armenia and the Armenian people, our clergy who have remained faithful to their beliefs, all prisoners illegally held in the prisons of Baku and Yerevan, and the entire Armenian people on the occasion of the coming New Year and the Feast of the Holy Nativity.

May 2026 be a year of freedom.

May God protect the Armenian people, Armenia, and our Holy Church.

Council of the National Democratic Alliance

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