
PASHINIAN RESPONDS TO ALIYEV'S DEMANDS

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Prime Minister Nikol Pashinian on Thursday dismissed Azerbaijan's continuing demands for Armenia to change its constitution and stop buying weapons and accused Baku of harboring territorial claims against his country.

Pashinian spoke to the official Armenpress news agency to comment on multiple conditions for an Armenian-Azerbaijani peace deal reiterated by Azerbaijan President Ilham Aliyev in an interview with a state-run Russian broadcaster on Wednesday. They include a change of the Armenian constitution which Baku says lays claim to Nagorno-Karabakh recaptured by the Azerbaijani army last year.

Pashinian again cited a September ruling by Armenia's Constitutional Court to deny such claims. He said that it is Baku that effectively lays claim to Armenia's internationally recognized territory. He pointed to Aliyev's regular description of much of that territory as Western Azerbaijan.

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