

## **‘Hairline cracks’ affecting Haghia Sofia, Turkish mass daily reports**



The mass Turkish daily “Milliyet” this week posted **an article citing Turkish experts’ concerns over hairline cracks discovered at the Haghia Sophia Cathedral, which today serves as a museum in the Bosphorus metropolis.**

**The experts were quoted as saying that without restoration measures, the cracks could expand and endanger the entire structure in the long term.** Heavy road traffic passing outside the iconic sixth century Christian Orthodox Cathedral has been cited as one of the reasons for the structural stress.