Islamist Turkish gov't brings Grand Mufti of Caucasus, Azerbaijan to Hagia Sophia for Muslim prayer



The Grand Mufti of the Caucasus, Allahshükür Pashazade, who holds a title that covers his native Azerbaijan, along with Georgia, and several Caucasus republics of the Russian Federation, offered Muslim prayers at the Hagia Sophia this week, the latest provocation against the greatest of all basilicas of eastern Christendom – three months after Islamist Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan ordered the iconic UNESCO World Heritage site to be converted into a mosque.

Accompanied by the fundamentalist head of Turkey's religious affairs director, Ali Erbas, the Azerbaijani Muslim leader told waiting reporters that he came to "...pray for his people, who are under attack by the Armenians." – as he claimed.

Azerbaijan's military, aided by Turkey and amid reports of Ankara transporting jihadis from Syria to fight on the side of its fraternal ally, commenced attacks against the ethnically Armenian enclave of Nagorno Karabakh late last month.



