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US and CA Countries Transit Talk Unacceptable: Russia

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KABUL - US has held transit talks with several Central Asian (CA) countries including Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan which angered the Russian officials, local media reported.

After Pakistan closed NATO transit route to Afghanistan in reaction to a deadly attack on a Pakistani check post near Afghan border which killed 24 soldiers, US is trying to find an alternative for the route and started negotiations with central Asian countries.

The withdrawal of foreign troops from Afghanistan closes in each day, Russian officials have said that central Asian countries have mutual interest with Russian Federation and keeping Russia away from any talks with the United States is unacceptable.

Despite major diplomatic efforts by the US government to urge Pakistan of reopening the border, the talks failed.

Uzbekistan and Tajikistan have joint borders with Afghanistan while Kyrgyzstan host US military bases in the region.

Thousands of NATO supply trucks have stacked in Pakistan's Karachi port waiting to be transferred to bases in Afghanistan as massive Canadian military equipments have been stacked in Afghanistan and waiting to be transferred to Canada through Pakistan route.

Thousands of tones of equipments including armored vehicles, guns, ammunitions and combat uniforms have already been taken out of the country. However, nearly 400 containers of remain stranded in secret locations in southern Afghanistan

Canadian Defense Minister, Peter Mackay said that his is working with other NATO allies in hopes of retrieving the Canadian forces equipments.

"We are working with our allies to try to persuade Pakistan to be more co-operative when it comes to supply of the mission and when it comes to the return of certain equipment," MacKay said.

There are around 140,000 foreign soldiers in Afghanistan most along with the Afghan Security forces to combat terrorism in the region.

Foreign troops are scheduled to withdraw from Afghanistan by the end of 2014 as previously planned and reaffirmed at the NATO's Chicago summit.