

New Nagorno-Karabakh conflict looms

Azerbaijani protesters are blocking the only road linking Armenia to the Nagorno-Karabakh enclave and Russia, distracted by the Ukraine conflict, seems unable to resolve the situation

■ **1915-16 Armenian genocide:** Amid collapse of **Ottoman Empire**, hundreds of thousands of Christian Armenians are murdered or expelled from Turkey to Muslim Azerbaijan

■ **1988-94: First Nagorno-Karabakh war:** Armenian forces drive 725,000 Azeris from homes. Land swap proposal fails. War ends with Russian-brokered ceasefire. 17,500 dead

■ **2020: Second Nagorno-Karabakh war:** Azerbaijan, backed by Turkey, recaptures surrounding territory. Russian peacekeepers deployed in Artsakh and Lachin Corridor



□ **Nagorno-Karabakh region** (Soviet borders)

■ Breakaway majority-Armenian **Republic of Artsakh**

□ Territory ceded to Azerbaijan under 2020 ceasefire

Population:

35,000 (Azeri estimate)

120,000 (Armenian estimate)

1950 Russian peacekeepers

