

Sayyid Ammar Al Hakim Calls to Reflect on the Speech of the Religious Authority, Considering that it Linked the Events in Iraq to the Region



Sayyid Ammar Al Hakim, head of the Islamic Supreme Council of Iraq, called to reflect on the last speech delivered by the religious authority on Friday's prayer, explaining that the speech was clear and deep and linked the events in Iraq to the region, in addition to warning against sectarian-based conflicts that the region may witness and will turn regional states into micro-states. His eminence assured that the Martyr of the Niche movement is working on the social peace and state building draft document based on the principle of giving to partners, in opposite to the national reconciliation programs that were built on demands, which highlights the need to couple the security project with a political project. He called to eliminate ISIS from the places fostering them and warned against a huge media and religious institution working for the benefit of ISIS. Furthermore, his eminence pointed out that the political project or the historical compromise will not meet the requirements of any political party, but will only seek to ensure the Iraqi interest. He also insisted on making the compromise open and satisfying to all parties, and indicated that the National Guard law will dissolve all the mottos and banners into the banner of Iraq.

This came in his eminence's speech in Diwan Baghdad on Saturday, 30/5/2015 at his office in Baghdad.

His eminence warned against some banner headlines that are in the interest of ISIS, explaining that some are dramatizing things in a way that ISIS is using to reduce the self-confidence. On another note, he noted that there is a competition between the popular crowd factions, which is legitimate. He reiterated as well the citizen bloc's support to the government, mentioning that diagnosing some defects does not mean a lack of support; the citizen bloc is in fact a partner in the government and is supportive of it as long as the government stays committed to the programs and agreements on the basis of which it was formed.

His eminence considered the pressure in terms of the political issue as an opportunity to activate the economic sectors and to reduce the dependency on oil, explaining that Iraq has the agricultural, industrial and touristic resources, but only needs to arrange its priorities and capabilities and to be convinced that there is a serious economic situation. Thus, he called for an economic and political operations room like the political one, showing the importance of turning the page with everyone and considering the visit of the Qatari ministry of foreign affairs as proof that Qatar's attitude towards Iraq was wrong, calling on the media to focus on the positive aspects. He added that Hussain is a human symbol and that the battle motto, "Labbaik ya Hussain" (we are here for you Hussain), was changed to "Labbayka ya Iraq" (we are here for you Iraq) because the ISIS members are exploiting everything they think it would be useful for them in their dividing game, reminding that the pure blood will have an effect on the national unity. In addition, he said that it's important to preserve the status of the

parliament because it's the mother institution in the process and in the political order, justifying the rise of the military leaders and the popular crowd with the conditions of the this stage and the existing challenge which definitely must give the popular crowd leaders and the security forces high profile. According to his Eminence, this doesn't mean that the popular crowd is stronger than the State; in fact, its members receive orders from the latter. He said there is a reverse relation between the power of the state and the negative phenomena, considering the idea of division as mere illusion, expressing his optimism as to the recovery of Iraq should its political project be organized.

On the other hand, his Eminence maintained that the sectarian rhetoric of some politicians will vanish if it's neglected and substituted for a patriotic one, stressing the need to support the displaced people in the best ways to restore the national unity, urging the elites to assume their roles, to lead the Iraqi community and to clarify things for them, reiterating the importance of fighting corruption and dealing strictly with the corruptors.