

Sayyid Ammar Al-Hakim: The Division of Iraq Is Just for Political Gain and No Iraqi Field Possesses the State's Elements



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Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim, head of the Islamic Supreme Council of Iraq, declared that Iraq unity, which is everyone's value and guarantee, is one of the lessons acquired from the terrorist challenge represented by Daesh and faced recently by Iraq, considering that talking lately about Iraq division is just for political gain or is due to a lack of know-how of the Iraqi, regional and state reality. His Eminence noted that all Iraqi fields do not possess the state's elements and the security and political challenges do not help anyone to go out and face them alone. He reiterated his confidence in the Iraq unity in a way that ensures everyone's interests, noting that Iraq is currently in a stage of historic compromise after everybody's get tired and all parties were unable to defeat the others.

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Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim declared in his speech before an elite of media and journalistic competencies, in Diwan Baghdad, on Saturday 19/12/2015, that Iraq is in the final stages of victory over terrorism, citing the percentages of liberated territories where Iraq took 23% of the lands occupied by Daesh that was controlling 40% of Iraq's area and now it has only 17%. As well, he continued, the number of Daesh members, from Iraqis, have registered a significant decline showing the decrease of adherence to the ideology of terror among Iraqis who did not exclude anyone. His Eminence pointed out that the Iraqis have been subjected to the hardest challenges, but they resisted and faced them while no one can do it, and gave some examples of security and societal consequences incurred by a country such France after the recent terrorist explosions, calling for appeasing frustration and the emulation of the positive fact covered by the negatives, there are an important security achievement comparing to June 2014.

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The head of the Islamic Supreme Council of Iraqi said that Iraqi strength lay in his youth energies that largely increase the factors and chances of Iraq success, adding that the chances of success are scattered and must be arranged according to priority. He stressed that the presence of displaced people in the south will help in the cohesion of society as the Arbaeen visit is a way to transfer the live image of Iraq through the foreign visitors who have turned to ambassadors to convey the truth, noting that the relations required by Iraq shall be based on his interests; thus, Iraqi interest must be presented in any step and response to all parties. He also noted that he's convinced that the regional and international powers' struggling and the inability of any party to defeat the other and force its will upon it shall turn 2016 into a year for settlements throughout the region.

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Regarding the Turkish incursion and the breach of Iraqi sovereignty according to real justifications, Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim indicated that Turkey in its stubbornness to invade Iraqi

territories has made itself isolated from the world. In effect, no state upheld this act including NATO countries in which Turkey is a member and even those who were kept silent, their silent was an evidence of refusal and not of rejection. He also described the Turkish stubbornness as a serious indicator in terms of the quality of the act, indicating that the attitude from it is related to the sovereignty of the country and to the responsibility of everyone to defend that country. As for the Islamic alliance, it is nothing more than a pressure paper in negotiating files as disruption suffers from the structure and the multiplicity of leaders.

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Concerning what is being said about Popular Mobilization Units and the risks of misuse of weapons that led to armed conflicts, Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim considered that Popular Mobilization Units is framed with the fatwa of religious authority and that any wrong act performed by anyone is unjustified, for example the state of those expelled from the brigades of Popular Mobilization Units for making a proven mistake here and there, noting that the conflicts and the state are within an inverse relationship and whenever the state becomes stronger, the individuals will be weaker and vice versa. His Eminence indicated that the National Alliance has a good relationship among its members and what it only needs is the coordination of visions and the organization of meetings, calling upon the political blocs to continue the meetings among them as they are capable of solving the disputes and unifying the efforts.

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Economically, His Eminence mentioned that the financial distress has had a positive aspect since it reduced the excess disbursements and will contribute in moving the ceased economic activities for reliance on financial abundance, stressing on combating terrorism and eradicating its big creators. Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim indicated the value of the oil agreement with the Region that stipulated to pay 17% if the Region hands over its oil to the federal government, which was approved by 2016 budget, calling upon the state to buy its goods from its factories so that these companies will move forward and shift from being losing companies to be profitable companies.