

Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim: new faces, patriotic electoral lists and political bloc of majority are the keys to restore public confidence

Head of the National Iraqi Alliance, Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim, defined the best way to restore confidence between the political powers and public are through providing persuasive new faces and compete via patriotic lists and the formation of national majority in the next Iraqi House of Representatives in terms of half plus one for the government and the remaining are opposition, pointing out that to reach this stage would mean competing on basis of national concept, and the differences presented within each component is a means to reach this outcome, noting the need to have a real representation in the political majority and not only a formality. Iraq is the optimal location to rearrange situations of the components of Iraq, and any other country other than Iraq that sponsor any conference to discuss the Iraqi affairs, would be tailored for the interest of that country and not necessarily bringing the perception and the interests of Iraq.

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This took place in Baghdad Dewan for Media Elites at his eminence office, Baghdad 11/3/2017

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His eminence reiterated his belief of the presence of red lines that are not subject to negotiation and discussion, explaining \"red lines that are not to be crossed in the settlement is the Constitution that is only amended by its own mechanisms, there is no document comparable or substitute the Constitution, and there is no international trusteeship on Iraq and no return square one and no denial of sacrifices\", noting that Iraq's affairs is exclusive to Iraqis as they are the most informative to their issues, stressing the need for national security identification excluding the intersections and contrasts of opinions, and because some sides are expected to resort to intersections and political projection it will be more difficult to carry out the settlement project as the date of elections are closer.

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Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim pointed out that 2017 is similar to 2003. 2003 is the cradle of democracy, and 2017 will work to anchor democracy, pointing out that the labour that Iraq had lived through is nearing its end and that all intelligence reports indicate a collapse in Daesh system and structure not only in Iraq but also in Syria, then terrorism is going to search for new extensions in the region and will play on contradictions shaped in ethnicity, sectarianism, religion or politics, stressing the importance to work in accordance with the equation of what is produced by the areas and that is not to be ignored, expressing his rejection of replacing an entire generation with another generation, the solution is to the integrate generations in terms of capacities and knowledge on one hand and accumulated experience in the other.

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His eminence indicated that the settlement is not an temporary project, but rather a vision of building the state taking into consideration all challenges and fords that Iraq had gone through, expressing his satisfaction to the diversity about the type of settlement that is it national, historical or societal, yet what is important is that we are convinced of the importance of a comprehensive reassuring project for all, stressing the importance to state after eliminating Daesh that Iraq defeated Daesh and not any other, stressing on the unity of vision that produces a unified project with a unified speech, pointing to the importance of Arab presence in Iraq, but with the condition of considering the nature, the readings and course of action of Iraq in interacting with the region's countries, calling on Arab countries to invest Iraq's position being the most qualified to be a bridge of communication between the disagreed countries.

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In respect of the separation of the Kurdistan region from Iraq, his eminence indicated that the National Iraqi Alliance and the Prime Minister and even the Union of National Powers want to resolve the outstanding problems, pointing out that Kurds are partners in this country and there is no chance to break away from Baghdad, taking into account the reality of the surrounding countries and the impact of Kurdistan region separation on national security for the Kurds are present in these countries, counting understanding with Baghdad is the best solution to all problems and imposition does not serve anyone.