

During his reception for the Iranian defense minister Ahmed Wahidi, Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim: “The Syrian dossier is not solved through security, and the Syrians have to be given a chance to solve their problems through dialogue.”



Ammar al-Hakim, Head of the Islamic Supreme Council of Iraq (ISCI), stressed that the Syrian dossier is not solved through security; rather, it is solved through dialogue and by giving the Syrians a chance to solve their domestic problems, warning that the delay in solving the Syrian problem means more bloodletting in that country. He stressed that each of Iraq presiding over the Arab Summit and the Islamic Republic of Iran presiding over the non-aligned countries' summit provides an important opportunity for joint cooperation between both countries to solve the region's problems. This took place when His Eminence welcomed Iranian defense minister Ahmed Wahidi at his Baghdad office on Thursday, October 4, 2012.

The Head of the Islamic Supreme Council of Iraq pointed out to Iraq, through its regional clout, history and riches, chose to be a convergence point among the region's contenders, explaining that a portion of the problems which Iraq lives result from conflicts and sensitivities the region lives; ultimately, Iraq has to play an important role in its Arab and regional atmosphere, expressing his optimism about turning these challenges which the area lives into a true chance for peace and for the achievement of the area's people of their interests. He emphasized the political effort must not be limited to politics and to political feuds; rather, care must be awarded to services and to solving people's problems in order to strengthen the trust between the public and the officials. He regarded trust in Allah Almighty then people's trust in the officials as the basis in the political work. His Eminence expressed his hope that the visit to Iraq by the Iranian defense minister, who is the first Iranian defense minister to visit Iraq in fifty years, will strengthen the relations between Iraq and Iran on the security level.

On his part, Wahidi lauded the wisdom which His Eminence Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim enjoys and the positive role which he plays in bringing viewpoints among the political contenders closer, stressing that the Supreme Council plays an important role in the national cohesion and in the Iraqi national unity as well as in removing the tension among the Iraqi groups just as it played a major role during the years of the struggle to get rid of dictatorship and in Iraq reaching what it now is.