Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim says, " Elections are the most prominent scene of the democratic system, and they must be welcomed with calm atmospheres. "



Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim, head of the Islamic Supreme Council of Iraq (ISCI), has stressed the necessity of welcoming the elections with calm atmospheres by regarding them as the most prominent scenes of the democratic system in Iraq, stressing the necessity of calming down and not escalating the crisis between the (Kurdistan) Province and the federal government in order to avoid aggravating it. This came up when His Eminence met the speaker of the Iraqi parliament, Usamah al-Nujaifi, at the latter's office in Baghdad on Wednesday, December 5, 2012. His Eminence pointed out to the necessity of the Iraqi parliament speeding up the passing of important laws and the activating of its monitoring and legislating roles. Al-Nujaifi reviewed for Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim the efforts he has been exerting to limit the worsening of the crisis between the Province and the federal government, explaining that there is consensus about the necessity for calming down, for both sides withdrawing their forces and for both sides submitting work papers to be discussed by specialized committees.

Both sides stressed their readiness to exert efforts to strengthen the Iraqi unity and the

solidarity among the citizens of the Iraqi people.