

Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim: Disagreement within the One Country Will Make It Hard for Us to Build Relationships and Agreements with Others



Sayyid Ammar al-Hakim, head of the Islamic Supreme Council of Iraq, said if we could not get along within the one country and the one ceiling which brings us together, it would be hard for us to make agreements with others. According to him, one may sometimes, as a result of their attitudes, conduct and ways of dealing with others, disagree with their closest persons. So those who want to be partners in the same country, they must achieve partnership under the same ceiling. Here he stressed the importance of ceasing to be greedy, selfish and possessive, considering the exclusion of others and the disregard of their ambitions as something unacceptable and to be countered.

He also called the officials not to take for granted the matters and issues diffused by the media, and not to rapidly believe them, issue quick judgments and give specific impressions that lead to fiery statements and breakup of the brotherly relations.

This came during the Ramadan evening gathering held at his Eminence's office in Baghdad on Sunday, July 20, 2014.

The head of the Islamic Supreme Council of Iraq hoped that those who legally held high-ranking positions would treat all people equally and be just rulers, and would not pursue personal interests because this is what destroys the positions, warning against yielding to the power temptations such as respect, appreciation and privilege and which turn into indulgence in personal desires, tendencies, caprices and illegal ambitions.

His Eminence also called the public servants and officials not to cling to their opinions and to listen to the others, because sticking to one's opinions does not allow the facts to be discovered or the capacities to be developed, emphasizing the importance of admitting one's mistakes since this requires courage and flexibility and helps avoid narcissism and arrogance which make one lose their mind.