



# CHAIR OF THE COORDINATING BUREAU OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT



## **COMMUNIQUÉ OF THE COORDINATING BUREAU OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT IN REJECTION OF THE OUTCOME OF THE REFERENDUM IN THE KURDISTAN REGION OF IRAQ**

1. The Coordination Bureau of the Non-Aligned movement reaffirms full commitment to the political unity and territorial integrity of the Republic of Iraq.
2. The Coordination Bureau of the Non-Aligned movement express strong support to Iraq's fight against terrorism and extremism, and welcoming the considerable efforts of the Government of Iraq to defeat ISIL (Da'esh).
3. The Coordination Bureau of the Non-Aligned movement declares that will not accept the outcome of the referendum of 25 September which conducted despite the strong opposition of the International Community, which ran against the Constitution of Iraq and bears the risk of triggering conflict in Iraq and in the region.
4. The Coordination Bureau of the Non-Aligned movement strongly opposes the Iraqi Kurdistan Region referendum on independence, and urges Iraqi Kurdish leaders to accept the alternative, which is a serious and sustained dialogue with the Federal Government of Iraq, biased on the constitution on all matters of concern.
5. The referendum will greatly complicate the Iraqi Kurdistan Region relationship with both the Government of Republic of Iraq and neighboring states. The fight against ISIS is not over, and extremist groups are seeking to exploit instability and discord. The Non-Aligned Movement member states believe all sides should engage constructively in a dialogue to improve the future of all Iraqis.
6. The Coordination Bureau of the Non-Aligned movement supports a united, federal, democratic and prosperous Iraq and will continue to seek opportunities to assist Iraqis to fulfill their aspirations within the framework of the constitution.

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