



**The Democratic
Federation of North Syria
Representation Office in Benelux**

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31 March 2018, The Hague, Netherlands - On behalf of the Democratic Federation of North Syria Representation Office in Benelux, we would like to extend our sincere gratitude to President Emmanuel Macron and French leadership for standing up for human rights, justice, and democratic values in North Syria for all Syrians. We welcome the presence of French soldiers alongside the brave SDF units currently battling the threats of extremism, terror, fascism, and tyranny on multiple fronts.

The ongoing invasion and occupation of the Afrin region by the Turkish military and its jihadist allies is a threat to all democratic nations and peoples worldwide. The world must come together in order to ensure the destruction of extremist and terrorist organizations such as the Islamic State and to combat these attempts to divide and conquer the forces defending democratic values and freedoms.

We will continue to fight for the ideals of equality, tolerance, and respect for all, and we urge the rest of Europe and the West to follow the example of France and join us in defending these values from the ongoing attacks they face.