

The Second Meeting's Final Statement of the Democratic Federalism Constituent Assembly of Northern Syria

In light of the recent developments in Syria and the region, and as a result of the preparations which have been made since the formation of the Constituent Assembly of the democratic federalism on March 16-17, 2016, the second meeting was held on December 27-28-29, 2016, in the town of Rmeilan. The meeting was attended by 165 members from the three cantons and Shahba areas.

The meeting began by holding a moment of silence in memory of the martyrs. Then the co-Chairmanship of the Constituent Assembly delivered a short speech on the current situation. Another speech was delivered in the name of the organizational board of the Constituent Assembly of the Democratic Federalism, which handled all developments in the Syrian arena.

The assembly members discussed the political and military situation in Syria and northern Syria regarding Turkey's occupation of Jarablus, its greed to occupy al-Bab, and its threat to Manbij and Afrin, which led to a demographic change in the region and the perpetration of massacres against innocent civilians. The members found it necessary to stop the Turkish extension on the Syrian soil. They evaluated military developments in Aleppo and Palmyra, which led to change in the balance of power and will have repercussions in the next phase. They asserted the importance of discussions to reach ceasefire and political dialogue and the necessity of engaging the main active powers on the ground and not to exclude the real democratic forces, as what happened in previous meetings. The members appreciated the achievements of the Syrian Democratic Forces in "Euphrates Wrath" campaign to liberate Raqqa. After that, the report of the organizational board, which included a presentation of all committees' activities, from the first meeting till the date of holding the second meeting, was read. Then, the main topic of the meeting (The Social Contract) was discussed; some articles were modified and new ones were added. The final version was approved by the majority of the assembly. The political document, which represents the assembly's vision of the main principles to solve the Syrian crisis, was also adopted. The assembly asserted that northern Syria federalism is part and parcel of the democratic federal Syria, and that federalism is the democratic solution project for the future of Syria and an exit from the Syrian crisis and society destruction. Our components, which made the July's 19, 2012, revolution and the achievements on the ground regarding the mutual coexistence model according to the principle of the democratic nation, prepared the foundations for solution and foiled a lot of projects and agendas, which contradicted Syrians' interests. Our experience, which proved its efficiency in leading this phase, is now a model for all Syrians.

The participants called upon all the Syrian national and democratic forces, who believe in the peaceful solution, to come to the democratic federal regions of northern Syria, which is liberated from terrorism and tyranny, and work together to build Syria for all its citizens, according to a pluralistic parliamentary democratic federal system. They also called upon all the social and political forces in northern Syria to effectively participate in stabilizing our democratic system.

Our achievement, which is baptized in the blood of thousands of martyrs, is our gift to all Syrian people on the occasion of the New Year and happy New Year.

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