

## PATRIOTIC PARTY (TURKEY) VISITS DAMASCUS AND MEETS WITH PRESIDENT ASSAD

A delegation headed by Dr. Dođu Perinçek, Chairman of the Patriotic Party (Turkey), visited Syria in order to carry out official meetings. During the three day visit to Damascus (Feb 28th – Mar 3rd), the delegation met with government representatives. The visit has been carried out on an invitation of the President of the Syrian Arab Republic, H.E. Mr. Bashar al-Assad.

Following people were members of the delegation:

- 1) Dođu Perinçek, Chairman of the Patriotic Party (Turkey), Head of the delegation
- 2) Barlas Dođu, Former Minister of National Defense
- 3) Prof. Dr. Birgöl Ayman Güler, Parliamentarian
- 4) Retired Lieutenant - General İsmail Hakkı Pekin, Deputy Chairman of the Patriotic Party (Turkey), Former Head of the Intelligence of the General Staff
- 5) Şule Perinçek, Deputy Chairman of the Patriotic Party (Turkey)
- 6) Yunus Soner, Deputy Chairman of the Patriotic Party (Turkey)
- 7) Abdüllatif Şener, Former Deputy Prime Minister between 2002-2007, founding member of the AKP
- 8) Prof. Dr. Ümit Akkoyunlu, Chairman of the Turkmen Parliament
- 9) Ali Rıza Tekin, Businessman
- 10) Abdülkadir Yıldız, Opinion leader in Mardin
- 11) Prof. Dr. Mehmet Yuva, General Coordinator of the Turkish-Syrian Friendship Committee

## WE WILL RESIST IMPERIALISM AND TERROR TOGETHER

On 3rd of March, 2015, Tuesday, the delegation met the President of the Syrian Arab Republic Bashar al-Assad. In the meeting lasting 1 hour 45 minutes, both sides agreed to cooperate in the fields of security, economical, social and cultural matters.

### 'Your visit pleased us'

The Syrian President started the conversation by saying "Today, I am very happy that you visit us" and he went on saying "I could not come together with a delegation from Turkey for 2 years. Actually, they didn't come to visit us. At such a time, this visit is a really important act of mediation of you. You did not only give a very important message to Syria but to the whole Arab World as well. With this visit you gave the message: 'We Turks and Arabs are brothers'".



### **Al-Assad: 'Division of Syria is division of Turkey'**

The main point of the meeting was “how to bring an end to separatist and reactionary terrorist organizations”. A decision to work together about fighting against terrorism was taken.

Al-Assad said: “Recently, an impression that only Turkey is the arch-enemy has been created. In the sense of this perception, your visit was really important. It would please us very much to determine the region's future as Syrians and Turks together.”

Al-Assad, who emphasized that the USA, Israel, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and Tayyip Erdoğan exported terrorism



to Syria and Iraq, stated that he felt a strong loyalty and love for the people of Turkey and considered the administration of Tayyip Erdoğan and the people of Turkey separate. He said: “Division of Turkey is division of Syria. And division of Syria is the division of Turkey as well.”

Al-Assad also stated that “PKK is a terrorist organization in Turkey as well as in Syria”.

### **Consensus on '7 Seas 7 Countries'**

Doğu Perinçek, who stated that by a cooperation, Turkey, Syria, Iraq, Iran, Lebanon, Egypt and Azerbaijan can bring an end to terror also said: “The attack of the USA turned back from Syria. The Mosul Operation is condemned to fail as well. Those who provoked reactionary terror lost. Now, it's time for the 'Hypocrite Brothers' (Muslim Brothers) to be destroyed.” At the meeting it was learned that there is a consensus with Bashar al-Assad on the '7 seas 7 countries'.

## **TURKISH DELEGATION HELD HIGH LEVEL MEETINGS**

On the 1st of March, the Turkish delegation met with Hilal al-Hilal, Secretary General of the Ba'ath Party. Al-Hilal said: “We know that the people of Turkey want to have good relations with their neighbours. The present government has stolen the will of the Turkish Nation. But governments are temporary, people are permanent.”

On the 2nd of March, a meeting with Walid Muallim, Minister of Foreign Affairs, was carried out. Faisal Mikdad, the Deputy Minister and bureaucrats of the Ministry attended the meeting which took place at the Ministry. The meeting was closed to the press. In the meeting, regional problems have been discussed and both sides agreed on that terror poses a problem for all the countries in the region and to solve it, a cooperation between the Middle – Eastern countries is necessary.

On the same day another meeting with Bedreddin Ahmed Hassoun, Mufti of the Republic, has been carried out. The Mufti of the Republic said: “I am a secular mufti. I support the separation of religion and politics. When they ask me whether I am Shiite or Sunni, I say that I am 'Muslim’”.



## GREAT ATTENTION OF WORLD PRESS

Turkish delegation's Syria visit had a broad repercussion in world press. Over 30 TV channels followed the visit. From England to China, Russia to Venezuela, it was broadcasted in many countries. The visit has been broadcasted in the entire Middle East and all Arabic countries. Doğu Perinçek, Chairman of the Patriotic Party (Turkey) held a press conference in Damascus.

In the press conference Perinçek said: "The USA has to recognize the nascent environment of brotherhood and comradeship in the Middle East. The USA has to recognize the territorial integrity of the countries in the region. Then, good relationships would be developed."



The Iranian and Syrian press announced the visit with a comment: "The base of a regional union which will restrain a foreign interference could have been laid".

A day before the Syria visit, Doğu Perinçek met Mahmoud Ahmedinejad, the former president of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

## PEACE AT THE NEIGHBOURS, PEACE IN TURKEY

After the delegation returned from the 3 days visit to Syria, Doğu Perinçek made a statement to the press at the Atatürk Airport. In this statement Perinçek said: "Yesterday, Tayyip Erdoğan met with the King of Saudi Arabia in Saudi Arabia. On the other hand we met Bashar al-Assad and agreed on finishing the separatist and reactionary terror in the Middle East. In Turkey there is a government which sabotages it's neighbours' houses, sets fires to it's neighbours. We see this government as a pain in the neck of Turkey. We definitely do not want a government which sends terrorists from Turkey to our neighbours. Those who burn our neighbours would burn Turkey, too. Peace in Syria is peace in Turkey and territorial integrity in the Middle East is territorial integrity in Turkey as well. This was our problem but has also become a problem for the Middle East and the World. This government deserves to be overthrown because it perpetrated the severest crimes, according to Turkish Criminal Law. Territorial integrity in Syria is territorial integrity in Turkey."

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