Sayyid Al-Hakeem From Diyala: Coexistence, Societal Cohesion, Reconstruction Pathways to Strengthen Governorate Stability

At the press conference held at the Diyala Governorate headquarters, His Eminence Sayyid Al-Hakeem, Head of the National State Powers' Alliance, affirmed that Diyala is taking important steps toward stability through coexistence, cohesion, reconstruction, and building within it, regarding Diyala as an industrial, agricultural, oil-producing, and commercial governorate, in addition to being an important tourist destination, which makes it an important economic hub in Iraq, as well as being diverse nationally, tribally, and religiously, and expressing happiness at the presence of the people of Diyala in decision-making.

H.E. explained that Iraq faces a challenge and opportunities in establishing security, calling for caution and for monitoring any sleeper terrorist cells, and affirming that the purpose of the visit to Diyala is to follow up on the governorate's situation, listen to its people's demands, and resolve issues in cooperation with officials, and praying for mercy upon the souls of the martyrs who fell on Diyala's soil in defense of Iraq.

H.E. affirmed that Iraq has taken steps in addressing weapons outside the framework of the state and all those covered by that, explaining that negotiations are underway to settle the file through dialogue and understanding within the agreed timelines, according to a clear roadmap, so that the decision on weapons rests with the state.

H.E. clarified the nature of the economic crisis, explaining that there is fluctuation in oil production and export, which has created a problem in meeting Iraq's needs and essential obligations, and called for legislating the budget before the end of the year, explaining that the budget takes the governorates and their needs into account.