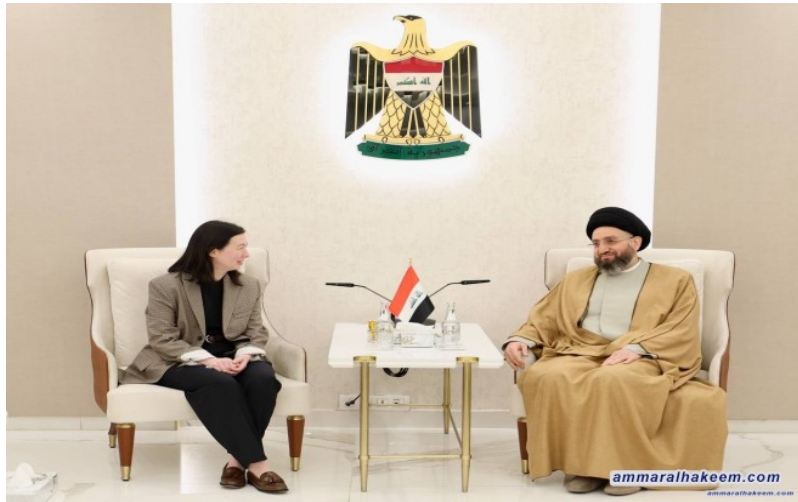


## Sayyid Al-Hakeem Meets Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Middle Eastern Affairs, Affirms Iraq's Defend Capability



Sayyid Ammar Al-Hakeem, Head of the National State Powers' Alliance, met with Ms. Victoria Taylor, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Middle Eastern Affairs. During the meeting, the discussion revolved around the latest political developments in Iraq and the region, as well as updates on bilateral ties aimed at advancing the shared interests of both nations.

Sayyid Al-Hakeem highlighted Iraq's significant role as a model of a robust political system, characterized by the peaceful transfer of power and separation of authorities. His Eminence noted that Iraq is currently experiencing unprecedented political, social, and security stability. H.E. further stated that this results from sacrifices made by Iraq's diverse components.

We pointed out the widespread support among Iraqis for safeguarding and sustaining this stability, with a focus on transitioning toward lasting peace. Additionally, H.E. reaffirmed his commitment to resolving crises, overcoming challenges, and prioritizing national interests over individual or factional concerns.

Concluding the meeting, Sayyid Ammar Al-Hakeem underscored Iraq's ability to defend itself and stressed the importance of strengthening internal unity and preserving national cohesion.