

Press Release

The Iraqi Government Celebrates False Independence and Illusory Sovereignty!

(Translated)

The Council of Ministers decided to suspend official working hours in state institutions for four days, beginning on Wednesday, 30 September 2026, and ending on Saturday, 3 October. The Media Office of the Prime Minister stated that the decision was made to celebrate the “Days of Sovereignty” of the Republic of Iraq.

These measures came as a continuation of the agreement concluded between Iraq and America in September 2024, concerning the end of the military missions of the US-led international coalition and the transformation of security relations into a framework of bilateral partnership.

Ever since the colonialist disbelieving West established these mini-states in the Muslim lands following its abolition of the Ottoman Caliphate (Uthmani Khilafah) and the rise of the Ruwaibidha (incompetent lowly rulers) who took charge of Muslim affairs, these states have consistently deceived Muslims and marketed defeats to them as victories. All the mini-states formed after the Sykes-Picot Agreement have independence days. These are the days when occupying military forces withdrew from the Muslim lands, having ensured that their political systems had been put in place and that rulers serving their interests had been installed—rulers who govern the people with an iron fist and through repression.

Indeed, the colonialist disbeliever's military presence provoked the people of the Muslim lands, who mounted fierce resistance that put the occupiers in an embarrassing position in many Muslim countries. Eventually, the occupier realized that remaining there was costly and dangerous. It therefore exploited the Muslims' lack of political awareness, deceiving them and giving them the illusion of a false, superficial independence, while continuing to dominate their political, economic, and cultural systems.

Today, the Iraqi government is once again proclaiming a day of sovereignty and independence, even though everyone, near and far, knows that this wounded country has no control over its own affairs!

What sovereignty is the Prime Minister talking about when he himself only reached this position at America's command and with its approval?!

What sovereignty is he talking about when he cannot make a decision on any matter concerning the country's security without America's direction and the presence of the Iranian ambassador?!

What independence is he talking about when the country's political system and constitution were drafted by the American occupier?!

What independence is he talking about when the country's economy and wealth remain in the grip of the American occupier?!

O Muslims! It is a disgrace and humiliation for a Ummah that was a beacon of guidance and righteousness for thirteen centuries to have fallen into such weakness and disarray!

True sovereignty will come only when all the military, political, economic, and cultural roots of the occupying kafir (disbeliever) are uprooted. This can only be achieved through sincere and serious work to establish the Khilafah and give bayah (pledge allegiance) to a rightly guided Caliph who upholds the Deen and wages jihad against disbelief and its people. Only then, and only then, will it be fitting for the Ummah to rejoice and celebrate, expressing its joy by prostrating in gratitude to Allah, the Exalted.

﴿لِلَّهِ الْأَمْرُ مِنْ قَبْلُ وَمِنْ بَعْدُ وَيَوْمَئِذٍ يَفْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ * بِنَصْرِ اللَّهِ﴾

“To Allah belongs the command before and after. And on that day the believers will rejoice in the victory of Allah.” [Surah Ar-Rum:4–5]

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