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The Syrian Coalition Political Commission Meetings on May 11 &12, 2013

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Members of the Syrian Coalition's Political Commission met on May 11 and 12 in Istanbul to discuss the political and civil status of the Syrian revolution. Members of the Political Commission stressed the immediate need for solutions to the military obstacles confronting the revolution. Additionally, they discussed a proposal to expand the Coalition, and to include new political and revolutionary groups.

The international conference, based on a UN statement issued on June 30th, 2012, and presented at a recent meeting between US Secretary of State, John Kerry, and Russian minister, Sergie Lavrov, was also on the agenda. The Political Commission welcomes the initiative for the conference, just as it has welcomed all Arab and International initiatives; while Assad has rejected them.

The Political Commission appreciates all efforts towards political solutions that meet the demands of the Syrian people, stop the bloodshed, bring about the release of political prisoners, and ensure the departure of the tyrannical dictatorship. Achieving these goals will pave the way for a democratic system founded upon the demands of the proud Syrian people.

The Political Commission will continue to discuss the international conference with revolutionary forces inside Syria, as well as with friends and allies of Syria.

A date for the Syrian Coalition General Assembly meeting has been set for May 23-25, 2013, and will take place in Istanbul, Turkey.

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