

OIC Secretary General Expresses Deep Concern over the Rising Number of Victims in Syria

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Secretary General of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation Ekmeleddin Ihsanoglu, expresses his deep concern over the rising number of victims among civilians and the loss of so many innocent lives among the Syrian people, as a result of the escalating clashes that have prevailed in Syria for the past several months. The Secretary General calls upon all parties to preserve the unity and cohesion of their country and to spare it the risks of infighting and external intervention. He also expresses the hope that the Holy month of Ramadan will offer the Syrian people guidance and inspiration towards the achievement of their aspirations and yearnings in terms of democracy, social wellbeing and economic prosperity, through national dialogue. Ihsanoglu further reiterates the ideals enshrined in the Ten-year Program of Action (TYPOA) which was adopted by the OIC Member States at their 2005 Extraordinary Summit in Makkah Al-Mukarramah, on the importance of good governance, democracy and human rights.

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