Minister Di Maio speaks at the IV Brussels Conference on Syria

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Minister Di Maio spoke today by video conference at the Fourth Brussels Conference on Syria, an event sponsored by the European Union and the United Nations with the aim of raising the necessary funds to tackle the humanitarian and health emergency in Syria and neighbouring countries and reaffirm the international community's support for a negotiated political solution to the Syrian crisis, under the aegis of the United Nations and in line with Security Council Resolution 2254.

"Italy – the Minister said – is following with the utmost attention the evolution of the conflict in Syria, which is now in its tenth year and represents one of the most serious international humanitarian crises in recent years. Relieving the suffering of the Syrian people, exhausted by the war and burdened today by the risk of an uncontrolled spread of Covid-19, is a moral imperative that Italy does not intend to avoid".

Therefore, the Minister announced a further contribution of 45 million euros in humanitarian and development activities for Syria and the countries in the region that host the largest number of Syrian refugees.

"Politically – the Minister added – Italy remains convinced that the military option is not the solution to the crisis, and that the focus should be on a credible and inclusive political process, under the aegis of the United Nations and in line with Security Council Resolution 2254. In this perspective, Italy unreservedly upholds the action of the Special Envoy of the UN Secretary General, Ambassador Pedersen, and is committed to actively promoting dialogue between the main players involved in the Syrian crisis, for the success of the political process".

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