

Iraq Witnessing a Popular Revolution, Association of Muslim Scholars

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Sheikh al-Faidhi in an interview with the Saudi Al-Riyadh newspaper that the government exercised over the past years the harshest policies of oppression and corruption against all Iraqis, also pursued a policy of marginalization and exclusion against the Sunni population.

Al-Faidhi has drawn attention to the great victory achieved by the revolutionaries and successive collapse of Maliki's military and security forces in Nineveh province, not an accident, but it was the result of ongoing armed actions by the revolutionaries which came after peaceful demonstrations been witnessed in 16 provinces in the twenty-fifth of February 2011. But al-Maliki has suppressed these widespread marches with violence. At the outset, this popular movement was moderate. It had no intention of targeting the current government, despite the intransigence of the al-Maliki government and its continued policy of murder and injustice.

And about the level of fighting and the size of the losses in the ranks of the revolutionaries, the spokesman said, "The main event of this battle that we can say there are no casualties; confrontations were scattered, and defeat appeared when the military and security forces

and militias proceeded to wear civilian clothes”.

Regarding the Iranian interference in Iraq, al-Faidhi confirmed that Iran has lost a significant milestone, it is no longer able to use its influence in our country as a card within its international policies, including nuclear talks. It is expected that Tehran is going to undertake specific efforts in order to support the Maliki government with a view to aborting the revolution, and keep Baghdad under government control, with the support of (Qassem Soleimani) Iranian Guards

On the official position of the Association of Muslim Scholars about what is happening now in Iraq, al-Faidhi said that the Association has recently issued a statement clarifying its stance on the popular uprising led by revolutionaries against an exclusionary and sectarian regime, and has confirmed that the popularization of the term ‘Islamic state in Iraq and the Levant’ on the security landscape in a number of Iraqi cities constitutes an open process designed to abort the revolution, and that the Iraqi protest are at the basis of the revolution.

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