Working Paper 2.0

Sponsors:

Signatories: Albania, Austria, Finland, Israel, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden, Timor-Leste

*Acknowledging* the chaotic situation in Iraq due to the war against the Islamic State,

*Fully aware* of the degrading treatment that the Kurdish minority has received in the past,

1. *Encourages* every involved parties to acknowledge the war crimes and violations of the fundamental human right committed against the Kurdish population in Turkey, Syria, Iraq and Iran in the past and present;
2. *Expresses* its appreciation for member states which promote awareness programs in schools and remote areas such as:
   1. educational campaigns promoting the history of the kurdish people,
   2. reaching Kurdish people through social media, creating platforms for communication,
   3. expand the Kurdish Human Rights Project, The Kurdish Project and similar organizations promoting Kurdish identity and protection;
3. *Expects* the countries involved to adjust their national legislation to protect and recognize the Kurdish minorities in their territory, to establish their cultural freedom and right to speak their language;
4. *Further encourages* the regional powers to hold a peace conference moderated by neutral mediators to stabilize the region:
   1. by inviting representatives of the Kurdish people from different countries, Iraq, Turkey, Syria and Iran,
   2. joined by representatives from affected regional and global powers,
   3. the neutral mediators should consist of elected members of UN agencies,
   4. periodically repeated four times a year for at least five years to ensure ongoing communication on all sides,
   5. the conference should produce wholistic reports that include:
      1. all points that were discussed during the conference,
      2. resolutions that address short-term solutions which could be implemented until the next meeting and long-term solutions which could be implemented within the next ten years;
5. *Calls for* the acknowledgement of the self-governance of the Kurdish people by the international community as soon as possible;
6. *Recommends* the creation of Kurdish independence as a long-term solution;
7. *Proposes* a fair share of any respective oil and other natural resources in a hypothetical Kurdish state by encouraging other states to participate in trade negotiations with such a state to ensure economic prosperity;
8. *Demands* to keep self-governance in the time between now and the establishment of a sovereign state.

* KRG’s Top priorities :
  + Have other countries acknowledge the need for independence of the kurdish people as soon as possible
  + Support the kurdish forces in the fight against the so called Islamic State /DAESH
  + keep self-governance in the time between now and the establishment of a sovereign nation
  + discourage oppression against kurdish people in other nations