UN Says Syria Talks Resume on January 29th



Geneva, January 25 (RHC)-- UN Special Envoy for Syria, Staffan de Mistura, said Monday the new date for the start of long-awaited peace talks on the conflict in Syria is Friday, January 29th.

At a press briefing with reporters in Geneva, the UN official said he is trying his best to have the broadest possible spectrum of the opposition groups in the talks.

He said the criteria for issuing the invitations will be the inclusiveness and substantive weights of the parties that will attend the talks, adding that women and civil society members will also have a considerable say in the negotiations.

The UN envoy said the resolution has given him the mandate and the task to finalize the efforts on the list of Syrian participants. He said the agenda of the talks will be governed by the resolution.

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