

Iraqi president demands international help for reconstruction after victory over terrorism



United Nations, September 26 (RHC)-- Iraqi President Barham Salih has called for international assistance to rebuild the war-ravaged Arab country in the aftermath of victory over the Daesh Takfiri terrorist group. Addressing the 74th session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York on Wednesday, Salih stated that his country is at the doorstep of positive development after defeating the extremists, warning of attempts by Daesh remnants to re-organize.

The Iraqi president further noted that the Baghdad government values developing bilateral relationships with its neighbors in order to transform the country from a battlefield to an economic hub in the Middle East region. And Salih noted that Iranian President Hassan Rouhani will soon visit Iraq.

In other news, Iraqi Foreign Minister Mohammad al-Hakim says Baghdad supports the restoration of Syria's suspended membership of the Arab League. He also condemned Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's controversial pledge to annex the Jordan Valley and the adjacent northern Dead Sea in the

occupied West Bank as a blatant violation of international law and regulations. "Iraq categorically rejects the statement made by Netanyahu," the foreign ministry says.

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