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Cairo, Sunday, 7th May 2023 **Developments of the Situation in Syria**

The Council of the League of Arab States convened an Extraordinary Session at the Ministerial Level, chaired by the Arab Republic of Egypt on Sunday, 7th May 2023,

- Having considered,
 - Note no. 1335 submitted by the Permanent Delegation of the Arab Republic of Egypt on 3rd May 2023,
 - Note no. 484/5 submitted by the Secretariat of the League of Arab States on 3rd May 2023,
- Based on the Member States' concern for the Syrian Arab Republic's security and stability, as well as its Arab identity, sovereignty, unity, and territorial integrity, seeking to find a solution for the Syrian crisis that alleviates the suffering of the brotherly Syrian people, achieves their legitimate aspirations for the future, puts an end to the country's protracted crisis and the external interference in its affairs, and addresses its cumulative and growing repercussions of terrorism, displacement, refugee crisis, and others,
- Based on Resolutions adopted by the Council of the League of Arab States concerning developments of the situation in Syria, the most recent of which is Resolution 8863 issued by the 159th Ordinary Session of the Council of the League of Arab States at the Ministerial Level,
- *Recalling* the efforts exerted by Arab States, particularly those made at the "Reunification" Summit in Algeria,
- *Expressing its full solidarity with* the Syrian people in the challenges they face to their security and stability, and in what they endure of serious violations that threaten their existence, the lives of innocent citizens, and Syria's unity and territorial integrity,
- Commending the efforts made to create an environment in which the process for a comprehensive political settlement in Syria can move forward, as well as the desire to activate the Arab leadership role in resolving the Syrian crisis to address its humanitarian, security and political repercussions, with the development of the necessary mechanisms to that end,
- Having been briefed by the interventions of the heads of delegation,
- 1- *Reaffirms* the commitment to Syria's sovereignty, unity, stability and territorial integrity, in accordance with the Charter of the League of Arab States and its principles; *and emphasizes* the importance of maintaining and expanding Arab efforts aimed at assisting Syria in resolving its crisis, based on the desire to end the suffering of the brotherly Syrian people that has lasted for years, and in line with the common Arab interest and the fraternal ties that unite all Arab peoples, including the Syrian people with their historical contribution to Arab civilization and culture;
- 2- *Welcomes* the Arab communiqués issued by the Jeddah and Amman Meetings on Syria on 14th April 2023 and 1st May 2023 respectively, as well as the desire to initiate an Arab leadership role in resolving the Syrian crisis that addresses its humanitarian, security, and political repercussions on Syria and its people, as well as its implications

on neighboring countries, the region, and the entire world, particularly the burdens of the refugee crisis and the threats of terrorism and drug trafficking; *welcomes* the Syrian Arab Republic's willingness to cooperate with Arab States to apply the outcomes of relevant Arab communiqués; *and emphasizes* the importance of implementing the set of commitments and understandings reached at the Amman Meeting, as well as adopting the necessary mechanisms to activate the Arab role;

- 3- *Emphasizes* the importance of taking practical and effective steps to gradually resolve the crisis, according to the step for step approach and in line with the UN Security Council Resolution 2254, starting by continuing steps that enable delivery of humanitarian aid to all those in need in Syria, in accordance with the mechanisms adopted in the relevant UN Security Council resolutions;
- 4- Decides to establish a ministerial liaison committee comprised of Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Lebanon, Egypt and the Secretary-General, to follow-up on the implementation of the Amman communiqué and to maintain direct dialogue with the government of Syria in order to reach a comprehensive solution to the Syrian crisis that addresses all of its repercussions, according to the step for step approach and in line with the UN Security Council Resolution 2254; and *requests* the committee to submit regular reports to the Arab League Council at the Ministerial Level;
- 5- *Decides to resume* the participation by delegations of the government of the Syrian Arab Republic in meetings of the Council of the League of Arab States, and all its affiliated organizations and bodies as of 7th May 2023;
- 6- *Requests* the Secretary-General to follow up on the implementation of this Resolution's provisions, and to update the Arab League Council of recent developments.

(Resolution No. 8914- Ex. S. – S. 2 – 7/5/2023)