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## **Towards a Democratic Syria: Stop Turkey's Attacks & Involve Kurdish Administration in Political Processes**

The decades-long rule of the Assad dynasty in Syria is over. The crucial question now is whether it will be possible to achieve a progressive, democratic transformation in Syria as a whole. Numerous factors play a determining role here.

The attacks by Turkey and its ally, the Syrian National Army represent one of the greatest threats. War crimes are committed. Numerous civilians were killed and dozens injured. The attacks are essentially directed against the Democratic Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria with its democratic and gender-equal understanding of society and politics, which reflects Syria's diversity. Minbic, in particular, is also in Turkey's sights. It is precisely this approach that is essential for peace and reconciliation.

The inclusion of the Democratic Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria in the new political and constitutional discussion is also essential. The Kurdish-led administration should be an important actor in this process.

In the context of Turkey's attacks, unequivocal responses and sanctions are needed from the international community, above all a halt to arms deliveries and the suspension of agreements in the context of refugees. The intensification of instability affects the entire region, Islamism is a global threat.

The recognition of the Democratic Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria is also essential.

Solidarity and humanitarian aid are the imperative of the hour.

It is important that as many people as possible draw attention to the attacks by Turkey and its Islamist proxies and the resulting dangers.



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