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Leader’s Remarks in Meeting with Prime Minister of Syria - 31 /Aug/ 2012

The Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei has emphasized that sending money and weaponry to those who oppose the policies of various European governments will bring about in Europe a situation rather similar to what is happening in Syria.

According to IRIB World Service, speaking on Friday, in a meeting with the Prime Minister of Syria, Wael Nader Al-Halqi, and his accompanying delegation, the Leader emphasized that giving money and weaponry to opposition groups in any country, including European countries, will result in a similar situation to what we find today in Syria. The Leader added: “If money, weapons and ammunition is given to those groups which organize protests on the streets of European capitals, then almost certainly, a situation similar to Syria will arise in those European countries".

In further remarks, Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei said there is no doubt that the United States and the Zionist regime of Israel are very much involved behind-the-scenes in the deplorable and painful events taking place in Syria today.

The leader pointedly added: "The Non-Aligned Movement countries have more right to get involved in finding a political solution to the Syrian crisis than either the United States, or NATO, or European countries (the EU).

Elsewhere in his remarks, Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei said continuation of the current situation in Syria, with mass killings of large numbers of people, is totally unacceptable. The Leader added: "The real culprits are those who have inundated Syria with weapons and ammunition, sending arms to irresponsible groups inside Syria. They are the ones who are responsible for the deplorable situation in Syria".

Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei emphasized that the Syrian government should continue with its political reforms, and should not provide the so-called "opposition" with any excuses and pretexts. The Leader stressed that the Syrian government should explain what is happening in Syria to the Arab public and public opinion at large.