

ARAB AWAKENING MEETING IN ISTANBUL

Davutođlu meets over dinner with "Peace in the Middle East" conference participants



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Foreign Minister Ahmet Davutođlu met over dinner at Dolmabahçe Palace with guests who attended a conference titled "Arab Awakening, Peace in the Middle East".

Davutođlu said that a common stance should be taken against wars. "We all are in Noah's arc in the Middle East. We will either come out of this flood or face disasters" he said.

Stating that they respect everyone who struggles for the sake of human dignity, Davutođlu said: "Whatever we want for Egypt and Benghazi we want the same thing for Damascus and Aleppo. People being Sunnis, Alawites, Nusayri, Shiites or Christians does not matter for us. We defend the great old tradition of the Middle East, respect everyone who struggles for human dignity and I salute them".

Replying to allegations that "Turkey supports Sunnis in Syria", Davutođlu said that Turkey is the protector of all oppressed people in the Middle East.

Davutođlu also made a call for the Middle East being rebuilt based on a common vision and said: "We will make our cities peaceful cities and set up societies that respect all languages, ethnic origins, colors and sects".

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