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Fred, Andrew,

I'm writing on behalf of the Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) to request an urgent meeting or call. The KRG is extremely concerned with deteriorating security dynamics in Syria and the potential for conflict to spread throughout the region. The KRG is specifically closely monitoring increasing threats and violence against Kurdish minorities, potential spillover of conflict into Iraq, and the myriad security risks associated with the ISIS detainees currently held in Syria.

We are flexible on timing and are happy to accommodate **phone or virtual meetings**. Representative Treefa Aziz of the KRG would join the meeting/call. Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter, and we appreciate your consideration.

Very respectfully,



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