Iraqi Government Forces, Kurdish Peshmerga Fighters Begin Fresh Talks

RACAGE - Iraqi government forces and Kurdish Peshmerga fighters have begun fresh rounds of negotiations in a bid to resolve a conflict over the control of the semi-autonomous Kurdish region.

The talks, held in Baghdad, come after a two-week round of discussions aimed at ending a conflict that has left many civilians displaced and killed.

The Arab News reported that President Barham Salih had received a letter from the Kurdish Regional Government (KRG) expressing interest in renewing the talks.

The talks were initiated by the Kurdistan Regional Government following a series of clashes between government forces and Kurdish Peshmerga fighters in the northern Nineveh province.

The Kurdish Regional Government has vowed to continue the military operation in the region until all weapons are removed and the area is declared safe.

However, the Iraqi government has refused to recognize the Kurdish Regional Government's authority in the region, citing its unequal population and economic status with the central government.

The most recent round of talks was held in March, but no agreement was reached.

The Kurdish Regional Government has called for an end to the violence in the region and for negotiations to be resuming.

The Iraqi government has rejected the Kurdish Regional Government's demands for recognition and control over the region, insisting that it has the right to decide on the future of the region without external interference.

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In June, the Kurdish Regional Government announced the start of a new round of talks with the Iraqi government, aiming to discuss key issues such as oil revenues, security, and border controls.

The talks are expected to focus on resolving some of the most contentious issues between the two sides, including the issue of oil revenues, which has been a major sticking point.

The Kurdish Regional Government has insisted on receiving its fair share of oil revenues, while the Iraqi government has argued that it has the right to control the revenues from the region.

The talks are also expected to address issues related to security and the status of the Kurdish Regional Government in the region, as well as the issue of the Kurdish Regional Government's autonomy.

The Kurdish Regional Government has been seeking greater autonomy and control over its affairs, including in areas such as oil revenues and security.

The talks are expected to be a significant test of the commitment of both sides to finding a peaceful resolution to the conflict.

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