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## ACS and SBC Unite for Syria: A Call to Action for Reconstruction and Justice

**Damascus, Syria – December 23, 2024** The American Coalition for Syria (ACS) and the Syrian British Consortium (SBC) held a historic press conference in Damascus yesterday, December 22nd, marking a pivotal moment for Syria's future. The event brought together Syrian-American and Syrian-British leaders, expatriates, and local officials to discuss the role of the Syrian diaspora in humanitarian efforts, stabilization, investment, and rebuilding the nation's democratic foundations.

Speaking at the event, Yaser Tabbara, Board Member of the Syrian Forum and ACS, highlighted the transformative role of the Syrian diaspora: *"For many years, we have been deeply engaged in efforts ranging from humanitarian aid to stabilization initiatives, from investment ventures to the development of think tanks. We are ready to take these efforts to unprecedented heights, bringing our collective expertise to serve a free and democratic Syria."*

Wa'el Alzayat, National Coordinator of ACS, reflected on the sacrifices that led to this moment: *"For decades, seeds were planted with struggle and sacrifice, nurtured through resilience and hope. Today, we are witnessing the first sprouts breaking through the soil—a testament to the Syrian people's determination. It is extraordinary to stand here, in a land that has firmly closed the door on an oppressive regime, and see local and international journalists freely traversing the streets. As Americans, we extend our hands in congratulations and support to the Syrian people, who have endured so much to reach this moment. This freedom came at a great cost but is a monumental achievement."*

The conference also provided a platform for discussing transitional justice, national reconciliation, and reconstruction strategies. Participants reiterated their commitment to justice and human rights, calling upon the international community to support this critical rebuilding phase.

This event underscores the collective resolve of Syrians across the globe to overcome the challenges ahead and build a nation grounded in freedom, equality, and justice. As both ACS and SBC reaffirmed, the path to a brighter future is paved by unity, resilience, and unwavering commitment to the principles of the Syrian Revolution.

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*The American Coalition for Syria is a coalition of specialized, multi-faith, US-based organizations that support a principled US policy based on democratic reform, human rights, accountability, and women's empowerment in Syria.*

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