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**ÇAVUŞOĞLU: TURKMENS SHOULD BE DULY REPRESENTED IN IRAQ**

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Turkish Foreign Minister Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu on Monday called for the inclusion of Turkmens in running the affairs of Iraq.

"Our Turkmen brothers and sisters, the second largest ethnic group of the KRG [Kurdish regional government] and third of Iraq, should be duly represented both in Iraq and the KRG, he said on Twitter.

Cavusoglu discussed the current situation of the Iraqi Turkmens during his meeting with Turkmen politicians and members of the Iraqi Turkmen Front in Erbil, the administrative capital of northern Iraq's Kurdish region.

Cavusoglu also held separate talks with Nechirvan Barzani, head of the KRG in northern Iraq, and Undersecretary of KRG Security Agency, Mesrur Barzani.

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