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## **KADHIMI: IRAQ SHOULD BE DISTANCED FROM REGIONAL CONFLICTS**

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Iraqs Prime Minister-designate Mustafa al-Kadhimi has said that his cabinet lineup was ready, adding he would discuss it with the different political blocs to submit it to Parliament for approval.

In a gathering on Tuesday with a number of Iraqi journalists and writers, in the presence of Asharq Al-Awsat, al-Kadhimi called on the countrys political parties to cooperate with his government, which he said would focus on preparing for early elections and face the unexpected challenges caused by the outbreak of the novel coronavirus and the sharp fall in oil prices.

The problems and crises that we are now facing are the result of a wrong set-up for the political process post 2003, he said.

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