
AL SADR CALLS PROTESTS MAJOR OPPORTUNITY TO CHANGE IRAQ'S POLITICAL REGIME

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Firebrand Shia cleric Muqtada al-Sadr on Sunday called protests by his supporters a major opportunity to change Iraqs political regime.

Tension escalated in recent days in Iraq following the nomination of Mohammed Shia al-Sudani to form a new government by a coalition of groups close to Iran amid protests by al-Sadrs supporters.

In his first comments on the protests, al-Sadr described the demonstrations as peaceful and spontaneous.

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