

# Syrian Coalition Condemns Russia's Interference in the Syrian Opposition Conference in Riyadh

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The Syrian Coalition condemns statements made by Russia's Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov concerning participants in the Syrian opposition conference which will begin in the Saudi capital Riyadh on Wednesday, November 22. The Coalition categorically rejects these statements as it underscores that the conference is entirely an internal Syrian issue. The subject of attending the conference, which is being generously hosted by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, should be a matter of concern for Syrians only.

The Coalition emphasizes that the conference is receiving widespread Arab and international attention and that representatives from around 30 countries will attend the opening of the conference. Russia's claims about it having a key role in the conference is a blatant attempt to undermine the unity of the opposition and disrupt the conference as well as amount to gross interference in Syria's internal affairs.