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## ANNIVERSARY OF ESU FOUNDATION

On 14-15 May 2004, European Syriac Union, ESU had been founded in European capital Brussels with the participation of delegates from various countries, guests, politicians, figures and activists among Chaldean-Syriac-Assyrian-Aramean people. ESU foundation has been important avenue among our people and for the struggle, demands and internationalisation of the just cause of our people.

National and patriotic struggle and combat among our people and long tradition of Bethnahrin National Council, MUB opened new and aspirational chapter for the long just combat. Following the early political, social and cultural activities across Europe and in the homeland, national struggle was at the point of new challenges and decisions. At this stage of the process, foundation of ESU have been undertaken to represent our people in Europe and especially in the European institutions and counterparts.

From the first the of the foundation until today, ESU realised immensely important social, cultural, diplomatic and political achievements on behalf of Chaldean-Syriac-Assyrian-Aramean people. As a top objective of ESU was internationalisation of the our people cause and creating public opinion around the demands and the rights of our people. For several years and under several occasions, ESU held conferences, meetings, workshops and visits to European institutions and member states parliaments to share latest situation and events regarding our people. Creation of EU Parliament Friendship Group, conferences on Nineveh Plains, Syria and Sayfo 1915 were main actions. Moreover, on several times, ESU has been motor force for European politicians to visit homeland and assess situation on the ground.

On the other hand, despite difficulties, hardship and obstacles, ESU carried out important work among our people. Hundreds of conferences, meetings, demonstrations and protests had been realised in different European capitals. Aid campaigns have been organised for people in need in the homeland. Cultural events, nights and social activities for women and youth have been supported and have been successful.

During 16 years of ESU, we created un parallel good relations of various ethnic and religious minorities as Ezidis, Armenians, Kurds, Turkmens and Greek Pontics and on the several opportunities we carried joint actions.

On this basis, we salute all members, colleagues and supporters of ESU and we promise to work intensely for the just cause of our people in the diaspora and in the homeland.

**European Syriac Union ESU  
Executive Board**