

# Press Releases: Remarks Before Meeting With Kurdish Prime Minister Nechirvan Barzani

Remarks  
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**QUESTION:** Mr. Tillerson, did you propose a safe zone to the Turkish foreign minister in Syria?

**SECRETARY TILLERSON:** We discussed a number of possible options, but we didn't propose anything.

**QUESTION:** You arrived today?

**SECRETARY TILLERSON:** About an hour and a half ago.

**QUESTION:** (Inaudible.)

**SECRETARY TILLERSON:** Well, we came in from Paris, had some meetings in Paris. (Inaudible.) But I'm really pleased this worked out and we had the chance to see you.

**PRIME MINISTER BARZANI:** Thank you for this opportunity to see us.

**SECRETARY TILLERSON:** We have a lot to talk about. Thank you.

**PRIME MINISTER BARZANI:** Thank you.

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