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Letter dated 19 May 2022 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter from Fuad Hussein, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Iraq, dated 18 May 2022, conveying the request of the Government of Iraq to renew the mandate of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq, for one year, until 31 May 2023 (see annex).

It would be highly appreciated if the attached letter could be issued as a document of the Security Council and circulated to all States members of the Council.

(Signed) Mohammed Hussein Bahr Aluloom
Ambassador
Permanent Representative



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Annex to the letter dated 19 May 2022 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

[Original: Arabic]

Letter dated 18 May 2022 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iraq addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to convey to you the wish of the Government of Iraq that the mandate of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI) be extended for a further period of one year, to 31 May 2023, and that the Mission continue to fulfil its mandate by providing assistance and advice upon the request of the Government.

My Government reaffirms the importance of the role that the United Nations, and in particular UNAMI, plays in supporting and advising the people and Government of Iraq.

We would like to reaffirm that the Government of Iraq, in cooperation with the international community, is striving diligently to respond to various challenges, the most notable of which are countering terrorism, ending the humanitarian crisis being endured by displaced persons, supporting the return of displaced persons to their areas of residence, rebuilding the cities that were liberated from the clutches of the terrorist gangs of Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL), addressing the economic and financial crisis, and dealing with the health implications of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic. The Government of the Republic of Iraq is also striving diligently to keep the promises it has made to the Iraqi people to achieve economic and political reforms, promote human rights, enforce the rule of law, and rehabilitate national institutions through capacity-building in cooperation with international organizations operating in Iraq.

We would like also to refer to paragraph 4 of Security Council resolution 2522 (2020), in which the Council expresses its intention to review of the mandate and reporting cycle of UNAMI if requested by the Government of Iraq. We hereby convey to you my Government's request to change the reporting cycle to every four months instead of every three months.

Lastly, I should like to express my gratitude for your tireless efforts to support my Government as it strives to establish lasting security for and bring prosperity and stability to the people of Iraq. For its part, my Government will continue to play a central role in promoting security and stability in the region, and to support the efforts of the United Nations to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals through its cooperation with UNAMI and United Nations agencies and funds operating in the country, in accordance with the mandate of each entity and pursuant to the relevant provisions of the laws of Iraq.

(Signed) Fuad **Hussein** Minister for Foreign Affairs

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