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Attached is the operational concept developed for November 15 election scenario in order to give you a sense of the points that we covered.

Also, below are some thoughts on the paper that you forwarded.

1 (4) (a) - Status of ISF

Election security planning will need to be conducted engaged ISF (including Police), Coalition Forces, and private (PSDs). The Electoral Commission and other key political figures will require PSDs during the process (IEC members currently without).

1 (7) - International assistance.

I would include international and domestic election observation.

There also could be election-specific support provided to Iraqi journalists and media organizations in providing informed coverage of the election and campaigning.

b. Friendly Forces -

Include the Independent Electoral Commission of Iraq (IEC) on the list.

There are also other likely bilateral donors - Department for International Development (DFID) UK; Japanese International Cooperation Agency (JICA), and the Australian development agency (AUSAID).

c. Assumptions -

Security must be anticipated as a significant challenge. While in other elections, a process is established and security planning is devised to protect that process; in this case, aspects of the process must be designed to accommodate the security situation. "Stability" is a relative term in this case.

3 - Execution

The attached Operational Plan touches on the points that are listed in this category. The UN has not yet updated with operational concept to fit the current scenario and timeline. We are working on a new time/task flow chart (not necessarily assigned by the UN to do it) and can forward to you when completed.

(b) (1) There should be a delinking of the National Conference with the elections.

(b) (4) There has not yet been a decision on voting by the Diaspora.

(d) (1) Electoral system design will be a constitutional issue to be taken up by the Transitional National Assembly. Districting will still be politically difficult and governorate lines should be used if districts options are considered.

(d) (2) There is no pre-requisite census or boundary delimitation required.

We can discuss more points.

Thanks.

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