

Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Baghdad, Iraq

Circular notice to all Foreign Government Offices in Iraq

We wish to inform foreign government officials in Iraq that you enter and remain in Iraq at your own risk. The Coalition Provisional Authority is not in a position to extend the privileges and immunities normally provided to diplomatic missions and their personnel, nor is there presently an Iraqi government in place to extend such privileges and immunities.

Coalition forces generally undertake to protect the property of foreign governments in Iraq consistent with security, military necessity, and the overall need to restore, and ensure as far as possible, public order and safety. The Coalition Provisional Authority cannot, however, guarantee the safety or security of foreign government property or personnel. Foreign government officials may bring into Iraq and/or maintain their own security forces only in full coordination with, and with the agreement of, Coalition forces, including compliance with the procedures established pursuant to Coalition Provisional Authority Order Number 2, on Weapons Control (CPA/ORD/23 May 2003/03).

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, under the supervision of the Coalition Provisional Authority, will compile a list of foreign government personnel and issue identification badges to them. Representatives of foreign liaison offices should contact the Protocol Office of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the morning between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday. The issuance of these identification badges does not afford privileges and immunities.