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ACTION MEMO

June 1, 2004

FOR: THE ADMINISTRATOR
FROM: Office of the General Counsel
SUBJECT: Approving the Annex to the Transitional Administrative Law

This memorandum forwards a proposed letter to the Governing Council, documenting your approval of the Annex to the Law of Administration for the State of Iraq for the Transitional Period (TAL). Pursuant to the November 15th Agreement, both the Governing Council and the CPA approved the TAL. If possible, the Annex should be handled similarly.

- We recommend that you send the Governing Council President the letter at TAB A. The letter notes your approval and concludes that the Annex "puts Iraq firmly on the path to a democratic future." Consistent with the CPA handling of the approval of the TAL, this approach deemphasizes CPA's role in creating the Annex.

RECOMMENDATION: That you approve the letter at TAB A, documenting CPA's approval of the Annex to the TAL.

Approve: _____ Disapprove: _____ Approve with modification: _____

ATTACHMENTS: Tab A Draft Letter to Governing Council President

COORDINATION: Governance/Scott Carpenter - (info)

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Mr. Ghazi Ajil Al-Yawar
President
Iraqi Governing Council
Baghdad

Mr. President:

The Coalition Provisional Authority congratulates you and the Governing Council on the signing today of the Annex to the Law of Administration for the State of Iraq for the Transitional Period. The Annex establishes the legal framework for the Iraqi Interim Government, which will govern Iraq from June 30th until the formation of an elected government.

The Annex completes the task first undertaken by the Governing Council in the December 15th Agreement and greatly advanced in its drafting and adoption of the Law of Administration for the State of Iraq for the Transitional Period. It puts Iraq firmly on the path to democracy and a democratic future. The Coalition Provisional Authority approves the Annex completed on May 31, 2004.

We will continue to work with the Iraqi people to bring about a transition to a democratic, stable and secure Iraq.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Paul Bremer III".

L. Paul Bremer III
Administrator