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Kind Attention. Ambassador Paul Bremer.
Administrator C.P.A.
Baghdad- Iraq

Dear Mr. Ambassador

The Governing Council Presents its compliments to the Coalition Provisional Authority and has the honor to inform that the Governing Council in today's (11 May 2004) 49th ordinary session has adopted many decisions concerning inmates of Abu Graib prison, those can be summarized as follows:

1. Denunciation of all violations of human rights within the walls of the prison and to publicize that fact in available media.
2. To form a committee by Iraqi judges and public prosecutors to investigate the anti-humanitarian violations committed by those in charge of Abu Graib prison, and to inform the Presidency of the General Public Prosecutors Office of this Committee so that it shall inform the CPA by mediation of the Ministry of Justice. This Committee is to construct its

investigations depending upon the comments, data and information presented by an Administrative Committee which is to be formed from experts specialized in prison and jail affairs which shall meet the inmates and make sure they are treated according to the laws.

3. Empower the Committee in 3 above the authority to present necessary recommendations for the release of inmates against whom there is not enough evidence, and recommend release of inmates against bail, should the applicable laws allow that. And to empower the committee with the authority to audit and scrutinized records and history cases of those intended to be released and not to attempt releasing prisoners proven to have previously committed crimes or have relations with terroristic organizations.

The Governing Council avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Coalition Provisional Authority the assurances of its highest considerations.



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