COALITION PROVISIONAL AUTHORITY ORDER NUMBER 50

THE MINISTRY OF DISPLACEMENT AND MIGRATION

Pursuant to my authority as Administrator of the Coalition Provisional Authority (CPA), and under the laws and usages of war, and consistent with relevant U.N. Security Council resolutions, including Resolution 1483 (2003),

Recognizing that the return, relocation, and reintegration of refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs) is vital to Iraq's social and political stability,

Furthering the purposes of the Governing Council to create a ministry responsible for refugees and displaced persons,

Recalling CPA Memorandum Number 6, publishing the appointment of the Interim Minister of Displacement and Migration,

I hereby promulgate the following:

Section 1 Establishment

- 1) The Ministry of Displacement and Migration (MODM) is hereby established.
- 2) All acts and decisions of the interim Minister of Displacement and Migration in connection with his office or the Ministry from his appointment by the Governing Council on 31 August 2003 to the formal establishment of the MODM under GC Resolution Number 30 and this Order are hereby ratified. For the purposes of this ratification, the MODM is deemed to have been established on 30 August, 2003.
- 3) The Palestinian Affairs Office of the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs (MOLSA) shall be transferred to the MODM, which will perform that office's functions.

Section 2 Functions

 The MODM shall be responsible for all matters pertaining to Iraqi refugees and displaced persons, including but not limited to matters associated with their repatriation, relocation, resettlement, and reintegration. The MODM shall also be responsible for policies and programs relating to all non-Iraqi refugees residing within Iraq.

- 2) The MODM shall develop policies and implement repatriation, relocation, resettlement, and reintegration programs as are needed to give effect to this Order.
- 3) The MODM, in consultation with the CPA Senior Advisor for Displacement and Migration, may issue Administrative Instructions to ensure and maintain compliance with promulgated standards for the repatriation, relocation, resettlement, and reintegration of refugees and internally displaced persons.
- 4) The MODM shall be the focal point in the interim national government for relations with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the International Organization for Migration, and other organizations dealing with refugees and internally displaced persons.

Section 3 Structure

- 1) The interim Minister shall organize the MODM into such divisions and departments as are necessary. The interim Minister shall ensure, as a minimum, that policies are developed and implemented to address the repatriation, relocation, resettlement, and reintegration of Iraqi refugees and displaced persons and the provision of protection for and assistance to, as necessary or appropriate, non-Iraqi refugees residing within Iraq. The interim Minister shall ensure, as a minimum, that the following aspects of administration are addressed: legal; inspector general; personnel and finance; facilities; information and technology; international co-operation; security; media and press relations; and such regional and local programs as may be required.
- 2) The interim Minister may set up a consultative body comprising representatives of other Ministries to coordinate on policies and programs affecting refugees and displaced persons.
- 3) The interim Minister may set up such regional offices as are needed to facilitate, implement, and coordinate the work of the MODM at the local level.

Section 4 Personnel and Administration

- 1) The MODM shall have power to hire and employ personnel in accordance with Iraqi law, as amended by CPA Orders and Memoranda. Such hiring shall be consistent with CPA Order Number 1 and any authorized implementation thereof.
- 2) Salaries of MODM personnel shall conform to the salary structure applicable to Iraqi government employees.

3) The staff of the Palestinian Affairs Office of the MOLSA shall be transferred immediately to the MODM within their existing pay grades and status, and the Minister of Displacement and Migration shall assume full authority, direction and control over this staff.

Section 5 Transitional Arrangements

- 1) The MOLSA shall be responsible for the salaries, benefits and personnel records of the Palestinian Affairs Office staff from January 1, 2004.
- 2) The MOLSA shall co-ordinate with the MODM to achieve the smooth and timely transfer of salaries, benefits and personnel records.

Section 6 Property

All the movable and immovable property under the control of the Palestinian Affairs Office of MOLSA and the records and data pertinent to that Office shall be transferred to the MODM.

Section 7 Budget

The MODM shall co-ordinate with the Ministry of Finance on its 2004 budget. The MODM shall further co-ordinate with the Ministry of Finance to transfer to the MODM the budget allocation of the Palestinian Affairs Office for 2004.

Section 8 Administrative Instructions

The interim Minister, in consultation with the CPA Senior Advisor for Displacement and Migration, may issue Administrative Instructions, not inconsistent with Iraqi law or any CPA Order, Regulation or Memorandum, prescribing all matters necessary for carrying out the duties described under this Order.

Entry into Force

This Order shall enter into force on the date of signature.

L. Paul Bremer, Administrator

Coalition Provisional Authority