COALITION PROVISIONAL AUTHORITY MEMORANDUM NUMBER 15

AMENDMENT TO COALITION PROVISIONAL AUTHORITY MEMORANDUM 4
(CPA/MEM/19 August 2003/04)

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 Resolutions 1483 and 1511 (2003) and 1546 (2004),

Noting that the Coalition Provisional Authority will dissolve on June 30, 2004 and that full governance authority of Iraq will transfer to the Iraqi Interim Government on that date,

Recognizing that on June 30, 2004 the Iraqi Interim Government will assume control over all funds placed into the Development Fund for Iraq,

Acknowledging that the Coalitional Provisional Authority has entered into contracts on behalf of the people of Iraq and that many of these contracts require continued performance and payment from the Development Fund for Iraq after June 30, 2004,

Understanding that continued performance and payment of sums due under these contracts after June 30, 2004 are critical to the redevelopment and reconstruction of Iraq,

Desiring to amend Coalition Provisional Authority Memorandum 4, Contracts and Grant Procedures, (CPA/MEM/19 August 2003/04), to provide for the orderly transition of authority over the Development fund for Iraq from the Coalition Provisional Authority to the Iraqi Interim Government,

I hereby promulgate the following:

Section 1
Powers of Iraqi Interim Government

Section 4 of Coalition Provisional Authority Memorandum 4, Contracts and Grant Procedures, (CPA/MEM/19 August 2003/04) is amended to read as follows:

(5) The Minister of Finance may designate the Director, Program Management Office of the Coalition Provisional Authority, or, following the transfer of full governance authority to the Iraqi Interim Government of Iraq, the Chief of Mission of the United States Embassy, Baghdad and/or the Commander of the Multi-National Force-I, with responsibility to monitor and confirm performance, certify and/or make payments, and otherwise administer contracts or grants funded with monies from the Development Fund for Iraq that:

(a) were entered into on or before June 30, 2004 by the Coalition Provisional Authority or the Multi-National Force-Iraq in accordance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1483 and implementing regulations;
(b) require the continued performance and/or payment of money from the DFI past June 30, 2004; and
(c) are not the subject of a fully funded letter of credit intended to otherwise ensure performance under the contract or grant.

(6) Designees appointed under paragraph 5 shall be required to coordinate their activities with relevant officials from the Iraqi Interim Government and, consistent with U.N. Security Council Resolution 1546 (2004), to satisfy outstanding obligations against the Development Fund for Iraq. Designees appointed under paragraph 5 also shall be required to assist in the termination, amendment, or novation of contracts or grants at the direction of the Iraqi Interim Government.

(7) Designees appointed under paragraph 5 above shall account for all disbursements made on behalf of the Iraqi Interim Government on the books of the sub-account entitled “Central Bank of Iraq/Development Fund for Iraq/Transition,” established pursuant to CPA Regulation 11, Amendments to Coalition Provisional Authority Regulation 2 (CPA/REG/10 June 2003/02) and No. 3 (CPA/REG/18 June 2003/03), (CPA/REG/12 June 2004/10)), or otherwise, in accordance with internationally recognized auditing and accounting standards.

(8) Designees appointed under paragraph 5 shall maintain records of all disbursements made on behalf of the Iraqi Interim Government and shall submit reports of all expenditures, payments, and outflows as directed by the Ministry of Finance.

(9) To facilitate the ability of Designees to carry out their responsibilities under this Memorandum, an account in the Central Bank of Iraq, Rafidain Bank, and/or Rasheed Bank shall be established. Designees appointed under paragraph 5 shall have the authority to disburse funds from this account in order to carry out their duties so long as the procedures set forth in paragraphs 6, 7, and 8 are followed. The Minister of Finance may (at his discretion) transfer funds from the Development Fund for Iraq into this account from time to time.

(10) Designees appointed under paragraph 5 above may (if expressly authorized in writing by the Iraqi Interim Government) further delegate all powers, privileges, rights, and authorities provided herein.

Section 2
Entry and Force

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

L. Paul Bremer, Administrator
Coalition Provisional Authority

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