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To: General Secretariat, International Telecommunications Union

Subject: Actions done or to be done by the Administration of Iraq on different international internet public policy related issues.

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Dear Sir,

With reference to the circular letter CL-13/168, kindly find annex I to this letter containing the actions done or to be done on the different international internet public policy related issues.

Yours sincerely,

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cc: H.E. Minister, for your information, with appreciation.

Annex (1)

The actions of the Administration of Iraq on each of the international Internet-related public policy issues listed in Annex 1 of Resolution 1305 of the ITU Council

	Public Policy Issues	Actions
1	Multilingualization of the Internet Including Internationalized (multilingual) Domain Names	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A request has been submitted to ICANN to have the Iraqi Arabic domain name (.عراق) and the procedures are at their final stages. • Encouraging the design of Iraqi websites with more than one language.
2	International Internet Connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishing many international gateways IGWs on the Iraqi land and sea ports.
3	International public policy issues pertaining to the Internet and the management of Internet resources, including domain names and addresses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Starting the project of internet gateway. • Working on developing our networks in a way that ensures the capability of tracking and tracing in the network to ease the work of investigating the cybercrimes. • Adopting a special policy for the registration of domain addresses and names and arbitration, see this link www.cmc.iq/en/iq.html • A study is under process to organize the Iraqi digital content.
4	The security, safety, continuity, sustainability, and robustness of the Internet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connecting the Iraqi fiber optic cable to all Iraqi provinces and cities through a network of many rings. • Establishing a blog titled “The security in using the computer and internet”.
5	Combating Cybercrime	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legislation of required laws, (1) The law of Information and Communication Technology; (2) The law of Cybercrimes; (3) The law of Freedom of Expression and Peaceful Protest; (4) The law of Electronic Signature and Electronic Transaction. • Joining the Arab Countries Treaty on Combating Cybercrimes. • Establishing a national work group consisting of 12 Ministries collaborating with CLDP to prepare a draft Iraqi strategy toward cybercrimes, and already having a national policy in this regard.
6	Dealing effectively with spam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Starting some technical projects, like the project of internet gateways. • Taking the necessary measures on the level of institutions.

7	Issues pertaining to the use and misuse of the Internet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legislation of the required laws, as in item (5) above. • Joining the Arab Countries Treaty on Combating Cybercrimes.
8	Availability, affordability, reliability, and quality of service, especially in the developing world	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lowering the price of capacities provided to ISPs to minimum possible price (the price of the cost). • Providing the service to all Iraqi provinces and cities. • Increasing competition in providing the service by granting licenses to the maximum suitable number of ISPs. • Building FTTH networks in all Iraqi cities. Some of provinces completed their work in this regard. • Lowering the price of domain names under the Iraqi domain name (.iq).
9	Contributing to capacity building for Internet governance in developing countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holding many training courses and workshops about internet networks in the Iraqi Academies and in the Sate Company for Internet Services, which is a governmental body.
10	Developmental aspects of the Internet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encouraging establishing Iraqi websites by reducing the prices and easing the procedures, so these websites are in a rapid continuous increase. • Increase the website hosting companies in Iraq. • Staring the project of internet gateway. • Starting a project of Iraqi national plan for migration to IP v6.
11	Respect for privacy and the protection of personal information and data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legislation of Cybercrimes law. • Studying the preparation of establishing special procedures in this regard.
12	Protecting children and young people from abuse and exploitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of a special blog on protecting children on internet named “Guidelines for the protection of our children from internet risks”, see www.cmc.iq/ar/pdfcmc/childsafty.pdf