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Paseo de la Castellana, 37 - Madrid, SPAIN

Tuesday, 25 October 2005

08:30-09:00 Registration.

09:00-09:30 Opening remarks:
  María DEL PINO, Vice President, Fundación Rafael del Pino,
  Antonio GARRIGUES, President, Toledo International Centre for Peace
  (CITpax), and
  Ambassador Emilio CASSINELLO, Director General, CITpax.

09:30-11:30 Democracy in Iraq Through the Lens of Previous Constitutions: Critical
Historical and Current Perspectives

  Chair: Mr. Ricardo MARTÍNEZ VÁZQUEZ, Director General of
  Cooperation with Africa, Asia and Eastern Europe, Spanish Ministry
  of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation (MAEC).
  Mr. Senén FLORENSA, Ambassador at Large, MAEC. Former Director
  General of the Institute for Cooperation with the Arab World and the
  Dr. Isam AL-KHAFAJI, Professor of Political Economy, University of
  Amsterdam.
  Dr. Khamis AL-BADRI, Professor University of Baghdad, Editor of Iraqi
  Papers.

11:30-12:00 Coffee Break

12:00-14:00 The Rule of Law and the New Constitution in Iraq

  Chair: Mr. Miguel Ángel BASTENIER, Sub-Director of International
  Relations for El País Newspaper, Spain.
  Dr. Faleh ABDEL JABAR, Head of the Iraq Institute for Strategic Studies
  (IIST), London.
  Dr. Joost HILTERMANN, Middle East Project Director, International Crisis
  Group (ICG), Amman and Brussels.
  Ms. Amina GOYANI, Program Officer, Asuda, As-Sulaiymaniyya, Iraqi
  Kurdistan.
16:30-19:00 Roundtable: Iraq's Foreign Policy in Multiple Contexts

Chair: Ambassador Shlomo BEN-AMI, Vice President, CITpax.

Dr. Adel AL-KAYAR, Professor of Political Science at Deutsches Orient Institut and Sorbonne University.

Mr. J. Christer ELFVERSON, Diplomat in Residence, Director of Member Relations, Club de Madrid.

Ms. Kathleen FITZPATRICK, Political Counselor, United States Embassy in Spain.

Mr. Talal H. AL-KHUDAIRI, H.E. Ambassador of Iraq to Spain.

Mr. Ignacio RUPÉREZ, H.E. Ambassador of Spain to Iraq.

Mr. Alberto MORENO, Sub-Director General of the Middle East, MAEC.

Wednesday, 26 October 2005

09:00-11:00 Roundtable: The Role of Spain and the EU in the Reconstruction of Iraq: Economic and Political Challenges

Chair: Mr. Alvaro IRANZO GUTIERREZ, Director General Foreign Policy for the Mediterranean, Middle East and Africa, MAEC.

Dr. Sateh AL-ARNAOUT, Senior Municipal Development Specialist, Middle East and North Africa Region, World Bank, Washington DC.

Dr. Joseph ABBOSH, Director, MEBEX, Reconstruction Consultant for Iraqi Government.

Dr. Mohammad A.S. AL-SHAICKLY, Professor of Nuclear Medicine and Member of the Iraqi National Council for Scientific Research.

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-13:00 Open discussion among participants concerning possible concrete follow up projects assisting postwar reconstruction and rehabilitation in Iraq. Creation of a CITpax Task Force.

Facilitation: Dr. George E. IRANI and Mr. Stuart REIGELUTH, Africa and Middle East Program, CITpax.

13:00-14:00 Press Conference announcing the main points and results of the meetings.