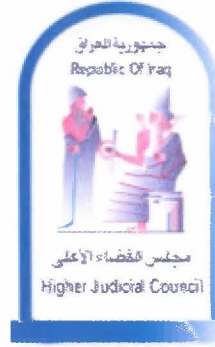




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Letter of Exchange for Cooperation

between

the Judiciary of England & Wales and the Judiciary of Iraq

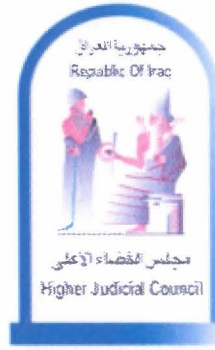
During recent visits, by the Chief Justice of Iraq to the Opening of the Legal Year in London and by a delegation from the Judiciary of England & Wales to the inaugural Iraqi Judicial Day in Baghdad, the judiciaries of England & Wales and of Iraq have held fruitful discussions and working meetings. They seek now to reach an understanding on exchanges and cooperation between them, thereby helping to improve relations between the respective judiciaries and between Iraq and the United Kingdom.

1. This letter of exchange is intended to be symbolic of this friendship and to demonstrate the mutual determination of both judiciaries to share best practice and, looking ahead, to shape society based on law and the rule of law, thereby:
 - i. Protecting individual rights, liberty and security;
 - ii. Providing a secure foundation for investment;
 - iii. Strengthening efforts to combat corruption;
 - iv. Supporting the fight against terrorism;
 - v. Recognising the strides, achieved and intended, by women in the Judiciary and in the law.
2. Both sides will work together, and with other countries around the world, to address common judicial problems and to promote the rule of law internationally on the principle that "all persons and authorities within the state, whether public or private, should be bound by and entitled to the benefit of law publicly made, taking effect (generally) in the future and publicly administered in the courts".¹
3. This understanding will extend to judicial training, both as to sharing best practice and, where practical, the facilitation of training arrangements.

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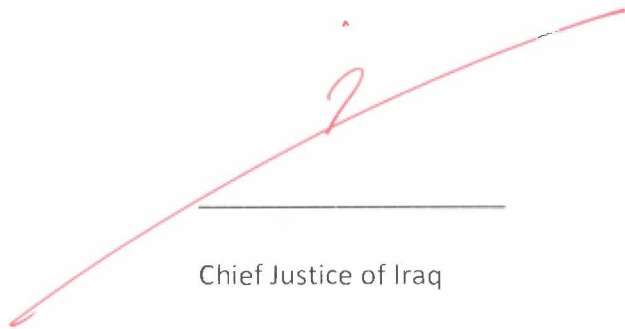
4. The Iraqi Higher Judicial Council, UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office and the Judicial Office of the Judiciary of England and Wales will act as the official liaisons for the above purposes.
5. The arrangements described in this exchange of letters will be reviewed after 3 years. It is intended that the relationship between the judiciaries of the two countries shall be long term and deepen over many years.

This letter is signed and exchanged, on 26 March 2018.



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