

**[Letter from Iraqi Parliamentarians concerning the MNF Renewal:  
April 2007]**

[original in Arabic, translation into English by Global Policy Forum]  
[undated but apparently completed and sent on April 28, 2007]

[Text begins:]

In the name of God, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

To: the Presidency of the Iraqi Council of Representatives, the Iraqi Cabinet, the United Nations Secretary General, members of the UN Security Council, the Secretary General of the Arab League, the Presidency of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, and the Presidency of the European Union.

Subject: Timetable for withdrawal of the occupation forces  
(multinational forces [MNF]) from Iraq

WHEREAS, the UN Security Council will soon review the MNF mandate on June 15th 2007

WHEREAS, the Iraqi Cabinet has unilaterally requested a renewal of the UN mandate keeping the occupation troops (MNF) in Iraq

WHEREAS, such a request issued by the Iraqi Cabinet without the Iraqi Parliament's approval is unconstitutional

WHEREAS, the Iraqi parliament, as the elected representatives of the Iraqi people, has the exclusive right to approve and ratify international treaties and agreements including those signed with the United Nations Security Council

WHEREAS, the Iraqi people have expressed their will by demonstrating in marches demanding an end to the occupation by setting a timetable for withdrawal

THEREFORE, we the Iraqi members of parliament signing below demand a timetable for the withdrawal of the occupation forces (MNF) from our beloved Iraq.

[Text ends]

[This text is followed by the names and signatures of 144 Iraqi Members of Parliament. Some signatories have also made comments in a space provided for that purpose. The signatories are an absolute majority of the parliament, which has 275 seats. The letter with signatures comprises six pages of which five have been obtained by GPF. The UN Secretary General's UNAMI report of October 15 affirms a total of 144 signatures]