

**Kurdistan Regional Government  
The Prime Minister**

Pursuant to the authorities granted by the article (8) of law No. (3) of the Council of Ministers of the Kurdistan Region, Iraq-1992 (amended), and with reference to both sections (5-7) of the article (2) and section (1) of the article (4) of law No. (6)-2009 of the Ministry of Interior, with reference to the resolution of the Council of Ministers in its normal cabinet meeting on 1 September 2014, upon the recommendation of the Minister of Interior, we have issued the Mandate below:

**Mandate for  
The Joint Crisis Coordination Centre  
In the Kurdistan Region-Iraq  
No. (1), 2015**

**Article 1:**

The following terms shall have the meanings hereunder for the purposes of this Mandate.

1. **Region:** the Kurdistan Region-Iraq;
2. **Minister:** Minister of Interior of the Region;
3. **Center:** The Joint Crisis Coordination Centre in the Region established with this Mandate;
4. **Council:** Council of the Joint Crisis Coordination Centre in the Region established with this Mandate;
5. **Mandate:** Mandate of the Joint Crisis Coordination Centre in the Kurdistan Region- Iraq No. (1)- 2015;
6. **Crisis:** A crisis is a sudden calamitous event that causes serious disruption of the functioning of a community or a society causing widespread human, material, economic and/or environmental losses that exceed the ability of the affected community or society to cope using its own level of resources.

**Article 2:**

Establishing a Center, under the name of (Joint Crisis Coordination Centre in the Kurdistan Region-Iraq) within the structure of the Ministry of Interior, is directly linked to the Minister of Interior. The Minister of Interior supervises its functions and duties. □

**Article 3:**

The Centre has the following functions and duties: □

- 1- It is the Kurdistan Regional Government's (KRG) designated centre to respond to, solve and manage crises in coordination and cooperation of the relevant KRG Ministries, Departments, the International Community and Non Governmental Organizations.
- 2- It is to provide support and assistance to the crises teams of the KRG, International Community and Non Governmental Organizations to respond to and solve the crises that may occur in the Kurdistan Region.
- 3- It is to carry out continuous research and follow up on all crises and human disasters that occur in the Kurdistan Region.
- 4- It is to gather and analyse information to understand the nature of the crises.

- 5- It is to manage information about crises and update information through the Directorate of Information and Data Exchange, under the JCC to assist in formulating a regional strategy and plans.
- 6- It is to formulate short-, medium- and long-term regional plans to respond to and solve crises.
- 7- It is to coordinate and organise joint action among the relevant KRG Ministries, Departments, the International Community, Non Governmental Organizations, other civil institutions and Military forces, as well as Federal Government Institutions to respond to, manage and solve crises.
- 8- It is to provide the necessary information and reporting, with recommendations, to senior KRG officials about crises in order to facilitate effective decision taking.
- 9- It is to coordinate and combine efforts among the relevant KRG Ministries, Departments, the International Community and Non Governmental Organizations, in order to have an effective and efficient response and solution to crises.
- 10- It is a specialized centre to provide necessary information to KRG Senior Officials, the relevant KRG Ministries, Departments, the International Community and Non Governmental Organizations about crises.
- 11- It is to oversee coordination with the Crises Response Teams in each of the three Governorates; Erbil, Suleimaniyah and Duhok, and will also provide necessary assistance to those teams to carry out their duties.
- 12- The JCC will operate in full coordination and cooperation with the Ministry of Planning to exchange information and data about crises.

**Article 4:**

The Center has a council composed of the representatives of the following ministries and institutions who should not hold less than the rank of Director General, except the three governorate which they may not have such rank to work with and cooperate with the Centre to respond to, and manage crises:

- 1- Ministry of Planning
- 2- Ministry of Municipalities and Tourism
- 3- Ministry of Health
- 4- Ministry of Finance and Economy
- 5- Ministry of Trade and Industry
- 6- Department of Foreign Relations
- 7- Governorates
- 8- UN Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs  (Two Representatives)

**Article 5:**

The Minister of Interior chairs the meetings of the Council and he has the authority to add representatives other institutions, depending on the needs and nature of the work of the Centre.

**Article 6:**

The Council meets once a month at least in normal circumstances upon the Minister's call, in times of crisis and disasters, the council meet according the needed basis.

## **Article 7:**

Structure of the Joint Crisis Coordination Center:

An employee with the rank of Director General leads and manages the JCC. He oversees its functions. He should hold no less than a bachelor degree and he should have appropriate experience and expertise.

## **Article 8:**

The Centre consists of the four directorates:

### **A/ Directorate of Information and Data exchange:**

An employee holding no less than a bachelor degree manages the Directorate of Information and Data Exchange to carry out continuous monitoring, research and follow-up about all crises and humanitarian developments, collecting, collating and analysing information and exchanging it.

This directorate consists of the following Units:

- 1- Follow up and Monitoring Unit
- 2- Information gathering and updating Unit
- 3- IT Unit
- 4- Awareness and safety Unit

### **B/ Directorate of Crises Response and Management:**

An employee holding no less than a bachelor degree manages the Directorate of Crisis Response and Management to foster coordination and cooperation among relevant KRG's Ministries, Departments, the International Community and Non Governmental Organizations to implement a joint strategy and plans and to respond to, solve and manage crises.

This directorate consists of the following Units:

- 1- Assessment and analysis Unit
- 2- Communication and Coordination Unit
- 3- Preparation and Immediate Response Unit
- 4- Reporting Unit
- 5- Planning Unit
- 6- Implementation monitoring Unit

### **C/ Directorate of Resource Mobilization:**

An employee holding no less than a bachelor degree manages the Directorate of Resource Mobilisation, to encourage, and mobilise financial resources and other forms of assistance to respond to crises. This directorate will also manage the provision of necessary reporting to donors and the International Community.

This directorate consists of the following Units:

- 1-Communication and Coordination with Donors Unit
- 2- Resource mobilization Unit
- 3- Information protection and provision Unit

**E/ Directorate of Administration and Finance:**

An employee holding no less than a bachelor degree manages the Directorate of Administration and Finance, to oversee the work of administration, finance and other services in the JCC.

This directorate consists of the following Units:

- 1-Administration Unit
- 2- Accountancy Unit
- 3- Service Unit
- 4- Human Resources Unit
- 5- Training and capacity building Unit

**Article 9:**

An employee holding no less than a bachelor degree manages the office of each governorate. This office consists of the following Units:

- 1- Communication and Coordination Unit
- 2- Information gathering and management Unit
- 3- Planning and preparation Unit
- 4- Stores and resources Unit
- 5- Volunteers Unit
- 6- IT Unit

**Article 10:**

Relevant Ministries and Institutions shall implement this mandate from the date of issuance and shall be published in the Official Gazette of the Kurdistan.

**Singed by**

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The Prime Minister