

## COALITION PROVISIONAL AUTHORITY ORDER NUMBER 62

### DISQUALIFICATION FROM PUBLIC OFFICE

*Pursuant* to my authority as Administrator of the Coalition Provisional Authority (CPA), and under the laws and usages of war, and consistent with relevant U.N. Security Council resolutions, including Resolutions 1483 and 1511 (2003),

*Noting* the obligation of the CPA to restore and maintain order and the right of the CPA to take measures for its security and public order,

*Concerned* that groups and individuals are attempting to undermine Coalition efforts, as called for in U.N. Security Council Resolution 1483 (2003), to create conditions in which the Iraqi people can freely determine their own political future,

*Determined* to assist the Iraqi people in establishing an internationally recognized, representative government by creating an environment in which democratic institutions can be formed, personal liberties can be safeguarded, and the rule of law is respected and can be enforced;

I hereby promulgate the following:

#### **Section 1 Authority to Disqualify**

1) When determined necessary for security and public order within Iraq, the Administrator of the CPA may disqualify an individual from participating in an election as a candidate for, accepting a nomination to, or holding public office, at any level, if that individual:

a) Has engaged in, ordered, or publicly incited violence against Coalition Forces or CPA personnel;

b) Was a full member of the Ba'ath Party holding the rank of 'Udw Qutriyya (Regional Command Member), 'Udw Far'(Branch Member), 'Udw Shu'bah (Section Member), or 'Udw Firqah (Group Member), as determined by the Higher National De-Baathification Commission;

c) Is an agent of a foreign government;

d) Has been convicted of a serious offense;

e) Is reasonably suspected of having committed, participated in, ordered, or permitted war crimes, genocide, crimes against humanity, atrocities, or gross violations of human rights; or

f) Has publicly espoused political philosophies or legal doctrines contrary to the democratic order and rule of law being established in Iraq.

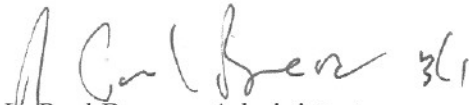
2) The Administrator may take such actions as he deems necessary to notify the individual concerned of a disqualification action under this section and to ensure a disqualified individual is prevented from assuming or continuing to hold public office. To the extent practicable, consistent with the CPA's responsibilities and authorities, the Administrator should inform the public of his determinations and the bases for them.

**Section 2**  
**Existing Law**

Any laws or regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby suspended to the extent they are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order.

**Section 3**  
**Entry into Force and Duration**

This Order shall enter into force on the date of signature and shall remain in effect only until the CPA is dissolved.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "L. Paul Bremer", followed by the number "361".

L. Paul Bremer, Administrator  
Coalition Provisional Authority