

جمهوریة العراق المضوضیة العلیا المستظلة للانتخابات كۆمىسونى بالاى سه ربه خوّى هه نبر ارد نه كان

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IHEC Regulation No.14

According to the authority which has been given to the Board of commissioners in the article (4), item (8) of the Independent High Electoral Commission's law No. (11), in the year 2007, we decided issuing the following regulation:-

(Agents of Political Entities)

Regulation no. (14) Of 2009

(Preamble)

The independent High (Supreme) Electoral Commission in Iraq has been established according to law no (11) of the year 2007 to be precisely the only electoral authority in Iraq, The commission is professional, autonomous, independent, and neutral, subjected to the supervision of council of representatives.

Part 1 (Terminology)

The following terms represented the meaning in the face of each one of them:-

1. "Commission":-means The Independent High Electoral Commission.



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- 2. "Agents of a Political Entity" is the agent named by the political entity to observe the range of integrity of the VRU and the electoral operations and referenda.
- 3. "Code of Conduct":-Are the rules of Code of Conduct of the agents of the Political Entities issued by IHEC.

Part 2 (Accreditation of Political Entities' agents)

- 1. Agents considered as an important factor of forming the elements of the democratic process, their role represented by observing stages of VRU, Elections, and referenda, to submit their report to the political entity that nominated them, about how the process is fair and neutral.
- 2. All the political entities that registered with IHEC got the right to name their agents to observe all the electoral processes' stages and referendum. IHEC accredited such agents according to the procedures it issued.
- **3.** IHEC does not accredit but the accredited agents and the political entities' registered candidates to observe the process of VRU, referenda, and elections.
- **4.** Agents of political entities should be restricted with the code of conduct and accepting them. IHEC got the right to withdraw the accreditation of any agent violated these code of conduct.

Part 3

(Conditions of Political Entities' agents' terms of work)

1. The IHEC is not responsible for the measures of communications, health, and safety of the political entities' agents, or any support for them.



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- 2. Each political entity will be responsible for the whole measures of support and expenses of the work of its agents (transportation, communication, accommodation), IHEC does not abide by any of these expenses, and no political entity's agent is entitled to use any of the IHEC apparatuses like equipments and vehicles.
- 3. The political entities are responsible for informing their accredited agents with full information details about the procedures of the elections, VRU, referenda, and the rules of the code of conduct before starting their activities.
- 4. Each political entity's agent should sign his/her accredited card at time of receiving it. All agents of the political entities should carry substitute documents contain their photograph to be identified and to enable the workers of elections and referenda making sure of their ID.
- 5. Agents of political entities are not allowed to interfere by any means, in the process of the VRU, elections, and referenda. They may draw the attention of IHEC's members including those who are responsible for the process of the VRU, elections, and referenda, or the BOC, the CEO, or the BOC; to cases that they want to provoke which occurred during their present. IHEC's members are not obliged to take action about.
- 6. Agents- (who are nominated by a PE) of the political entities raised their notes to the chief of the political entity or to its representative, and then the PE could arise any case with the IHEC's officials responsible for the process of VRU, Elections, and referenda on the regional or provincial level, or with the CEO. If the issue was not solved, in this case they are allowed to produce an objection to the BoC.



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Part 4 (Date of enforceability)

This Regulation shall enter into force from the date of its ratification by the Board of Commissioners on 2/4/2009.

Board of Commissioners