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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:-

(Voter Registration Update for the Iraqi Parliament council Election 2010)

No. (12)

(Preamble)

IHEC was established according to law no. (11) Of 2007 to be the only electoral authority in Iraq. It is a professional, governmental, independent, and neutral body with a legal personality belongs to the state and supervised by the 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.
2. **" The board"**:- Is the board of commissioner.
3. **"The Voter"**:- Is the Iraqi eligible citizen who born before or in 31/12/1992.



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4. **"Voter Registration (VR) ":-**Is a list composed of the names of qualified voters to vote in elections and referendum according to the last update made by IHEC.
5. **"Center of Voter's Registration":-**A place which is located and prepared by IHEC where voters could refer to, to make sure of the correctness of their personal data in the voter's registration to make the amendments on (addition, deletion, correction, changing, and registration of displaced persons).
6. **"Provisional Voter Registration (PVR)":-** A list contains names of qualified voters to vote before the done of (addition, deletion, correction, changing, and displacement).
7. **"Final Voter Registration (FVR)":-** A list contains names of qualified voters to vote before the done of (addition, deletion, correction, changing, and displacement) not subjected to appeal by.
8. **"Exhibition of Voter Registration":-** Means enabling voters from checking their PVR within a specified period by IHEC to make sure that their data are correct.
9. **"Challenging VR ":-** means to object on the data recorded in the PVR and which produced by the individuals or the sides that got the right of challenging in accordance with this regulation.
10. **"Displaced Voter (DV)":-**The displaced Iraqi citizen who was displaced from his eternal residence by force to another area inside Iraq after 9/4/2003.

Part 2 (Eligibility of voter)

The voter should meet the following conditions:-

1. Should be an Iraqi citizen.
2. Has the full eligibility.
3. His/her should be born before or in 31/12/1992.
4. Should be registered in VR in one of the governorates of Iraq according to the regulations and procedures issued by IHEC.



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Part 3 (Voter Registr4ation)

1. IHEC will make a PVR Voter that is based on the database of the general distribution system of the Ration Card according to the update, which IHEC made.
2. The process of voter registration update took place in a period specified by IHEC according to the procedures made by IHEC to enable voters from checking the accuracy information by the use of a form made for doing the procedures of (addition, deletion, correction, changing, and registration of displaced persons).
3. Each person got the eligibility of voter but his name was not included in the voter registration; got the right to ask the center of voter registration to enlist his/her name in the registration after showing documents that prove his/her eligibility which specified by IHEC.
4. The deceased voters' family who's their names enlisted in the PVR, got the right to delete the names of the deceased after showing the form of registration and showing documents proving the case of death.
5. Eligible Voters enlisted in the PVR, got the right to change their polling units according to the procedures made by IHEC.
6. Polling will be made according to the FVR. Those who are not enlisted in it got no right to cast votes in elections and referendum.
7. In the process of polling, IHEC will depend on the data enlisted in the FVR related to the displaced persons, and it is not allowed to work without it.
8. IHEC opens VRC in all the governorates of Iraq. These centers started their jobs in the dates and the locations specified by IHEC.



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Part 4

(Displaced Voter registration)

1. IHEC prepares a PVR of Displaced Persons based on the database of the immigrants and displaced ministry comparing to that in Iraq – Kurdistan region. These data will be received before the process of VRU in a sufficient time.
2. All eligible immigrants voters enlisted in the PVR related to displaced persons should refer to registration centers to fill special forms for updating their database.
3. Eligible immigrant voters unlisted in the PVR related to the displaced persons should refer to the registration centers to fill a special form to update their data after showing a special document prepared by the immigrants and displaced ministry's branches in governorates or the concerned sides in the Iraq Kurdistan region and showing documents made by IHEC for this purpose.
4. The process of displaced data updating will be done in all registration centers in Iraq in the dates and locations prepared by IHEC.
5. Polling process will be done by the use of the FVR made for them. Unlisted DPs are not allowed to cast votes in elections and referendum.
6. The process of DVRU (Displaced Voters Registration Update) will be done personally or in deputation by one of the family members according to the procedures set by IHEC.
7. In the process of polling for the displaced, IHEC will depend on the FVR of displaced persons and nothing else.



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Part 5 (Exhibition of VR)

1. VR and the updated data will be exhibited in the RC s within a period set by IHEC.
2. In the period specified by IHEC, Voters got the right to refer to the registration centers to be sure that their updated data enlisted accurately and according to the procedures set by IHEC.
3. Local and international observers, media persons, and agents of political entities could observe the process of updating and exhibiting VR and be well informed about.

Part 6 (Challenging Voter Registration)

1. Voters got the right to challenge their personal data. Voters and PE also got the right to challenge VR concerning others' data.
2. Eligible voter got the right to challenge in writing the accuracy of the register or its changes by enforcing his challenge with evidences submitted to the manager of the RC. The manager of the VR discussed the challenges and submitted them in no latter than three days after the end of the registration exhibition. Challenges related to the others' data. Will be left to the BOC to discuss them.
3. Eligible Voter got the right to challenge in writing about enlisting other's name in the VR on the base that the challenged person of enlisting his/her name should be:-
 - A. Not an Iraqi citizen.
 - B. Born after 31/12/1992.
 - C. Being dead person.
4. The challenge is not accepted without sufficient evidences. The challenged side should provide these evidences.



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5. The voter should challenge in the matter of not listing his/her name in VR or in updating his/her data on the basis that:-
 - A. His/her name was registered in the form of registration data related to the family who did not change them.
 - B. His/her name was added to the VR in the last VRU process made by IHEC on the condition that he/she should submit the registration form which proves his challenge.
 - C. His/her personal data has not been updated by (changing, deletion, correcting, or displaced registration) on the condition that he/she should submit the registration form which proves his challenge.
6. Challenges should be produced within the period of the PVR exhibition.
7. Decisions of the constituency related to the VR are capable of being appealed on in front of the BOC within three days from the date of informing with the decision. The decision of the board could be appealed on in front of the Electoral Judicial Panel.
8. After the final disposition of appeals and decisions in PVR, the registration will be final and the process of polling will be ready in accordance with it.

Part7 **(Regulation Validity)**

1. IHEC makes procedures to arrange a registration for the eligible voter abroad the country.
2. IHEC makes procedures to arrange a registration for military forces and the interior security forces.
3. It is not allowed to work according any other regulation that is incompatible with the rules of this regulation.



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4. Rules of this regulation are applied on all elections and referenda that coincide with the elections of the Iraqi Parliament Council 2010.

Part 8

(Date of enforceability)

This Regulation shall enter into force from the date of its ratification by the Board of Commissioners on 22/ 7/ 2009.

Board of Commissioners