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History
On January 30, 2005, Iraq held national elections to create a 275-member Transitional National Assembly (a temporary representative legislature). 111 political entities submitted candidate lists for the national elections, and a total of 256 political entities composed of 18,900 candidates registered to compete in the national election, 18 provincial elections, and the Kurdistan Regional government election. The 256 entities included 27 individuals, 33 coalitions of parties, and 196 independent parties. The Transitional National Assembly was charged, among other responsibilities, with drafting a new constitution for Iraq.
The Independent Electoral Commission of Iraq (IECI) was established to supervise the elections and ensure a fair voting process, including the registration of Iraqi citizens and their direct descendants living abroad. The IECI authorized the International Organization for Migration to implement a limited Out-of-Country Voting Program for the January 30 election. The Iraq Out-of-County Voting Program provided a voter education campaign and technical assistance for the registration and voting process in 14 countries, including Australia, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Iran, Jordan, The Netherlands, Sweden, Syria, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, and the United States. To be eligible to vote, voters must have: 1) been 18 by December 31, 2004; 2) had Iraqi citizenship or been eligible for it; and 3) been registered to vote. Registration was from January 17 to 25 and polling from January 28 to 30. The IECI estimates that more than 265,000 Iraqis registered and voted abroad.
Scope and Content
The collection consists of voter education packets and posters designed and distributed by the Iraq Out-of-Country Voting Program in 2004, for the January 2005 Transitional National Assembly election. The packets include informational brochures, fliers, candidate lists and sample ballots. The posters inform potential voters of registration eligibility, locations, and deadlines, and encourage Iraqi's living outside of Iraq, including those with citizenship in other countries, to participate in the elections.
Organization and Arrangement
Arranged in the following series:

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

Subjects
Iraq Out-of-Country Voting Program.
Iraq--History, 2003--Archival resources.
Elections--Iraq--Archival resources.

Genres and Forms of Material
Political posters.

Physical Description: (1 box).
Scope and Content Note
Two copies of the voter education packets distributed by the the Iraq Out-of-Country Voting Program. Each packet contains Compact disc, brochures, fliers, and informational packets in Arabic, English, and Kurdish about out-of-country voting in Iraq's Transitional National Assembly election. Includes registration instructions, list of candidates and sample ballot.

Box 1, Folder 1
Physical Description: (38 items).

Box 1, Folder 2
Physical Description: (38 items).

Physical Description: (5 oversize map folders).
Scope and Content Note
Assorted posters promoting participation in Iraq's Transitional National Assembly election.

Box 2
Sample ballots. 2005.
Physical Description: (5 items).
Scope and Content Note
Two sample ballots (40 × 28 cm.) and two poster-sized enlargements of the ballot form.

Box 3
Physical Description: (4 items).
Scope and Content Note
Three separate poster designs: Iraq-Out-of-Country Voting Program advertisement for extra voter registration day, in English; poster from the Independent Electoral Commission of Iraq, in Arabic; election poster from Iraq featuring a woman and a ballot box.

Box 4
Physical Description: (8 items).
Scope and Content Note
Educational poster for the Iraq Out-of-Country Voting Program (designed for inclusion in the voter education packet), featuring photos of Iraqis living in a variety of countries. Text in Arabic, English, and Kurdish. Poster states voter registration requirements and instructions.
Box 5

**Voter education poster 2. 2004-2005.**

Physical Description: (6 items).

Scope and Content Note


Box 6

**Voter education poster 3. 2004-2005.**

Physical Description: (6 items).

Scope and Content Note