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Attention:

The Honourable Prime Minister, Mr Nechirvan Barzani
The Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Mr Qubad Talabani
The Honourable Parliamentary Speaker, Dr Yousif Mohammed Sadiq
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The Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Falah Mustafa Bakir KRG Representative in Australia, Mr Haval Dasko Syan

20 November 2017

Your Excellencies,

Re Request for the Kurdistan Parliament, Kurdistan Regional Government and all political parties to:

- Form a truly representative negotiation committee approved by parliament;
- Finalise a constitution for the Kurdistan Region;
- Unite Peshmerga forces;
- Conduct elections for the Kurdistan Parliament as soon as possible; and
- Carry out reforms to improve ministerial transparency and functionality.

In this time of crises, Kurdish Lobby Australia has issued a statement and a report regarding the Government of Iraq's use of military force and its violations of the Iraq constitution following the referendum on independence held on 25 September 2017. However, lobbying on behalf of the Kurdistan Region of Iraq is proving increasingly difficult when we are questioned on matters related to the lack of a constitution, the position and role of the presidency, the majority of Peshmerga forces not being united within the Ministry of Peshmerga, parliamentary elections being delayed and there being no transparency in the selection of a negotiation committee, oil and customs revenues, memorandums of understanding etc.

We ask your Excellencies to remedy these matters as soon as possible so that the Kurdistan leadership is in a better position to negotiate with Baghdad. We sincerely wish you every success in negotiations.

Yours Sincerely,

Ziran Fatah

President KLA Co-chair

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