

**Security Council**

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Identical letters dated 30 May 2013 from the Permanent Representative of Kuwait to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to attach herewith a letter dated 30 May 2013 addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council from the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the State of Kuwait (see annex) regarding the mandate of the High-level Coordinator, in accordance with paragraph 14 of resolution 1284 (1999).

It would be highly appreciated if the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Mansour Al Otaibi
Ambassador
Permanent Representative



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[Original: Arabic]

I write with reference to the thirty-fourth report of the Secretary-General pursuant to paragraph 14 of resolution 1284 (1999) (S/2012/931) on the issues of missing Kuwaiti and third-country nationals and missing Kuwaiti property, including the national archives, and, in particular, to the mandate of the High-level Coordinator pursuant to paragraph 14 of resolution 1284 (1999).

The State of Kuwait attaches great importance to the issue of missing persons because of its ethical, legal and humanitarian implications, and the issue of missing Kuwaiti property, including the national archives. Accordingly, it is our desire that the United Nations and the Governments of the State of Kuwait and the Republic of Iraq should continue their efforts to resolve those questions.

Taking into account the options presented in the above-mentioned Secretary-General's report, the State of Kuwait supports the proposal to ask the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI) to follow up on those two issues, in accordance with Chapter VI of the Charter of the United Nations. To that end, the Security Council should adopt a resolution that contains the following principal elements:

- Follow-up of those issues will not end with the termination of the mandate of UNAMI;
- The periodic reports of the Secretary-General on the issues of missing Kuwaiti and third-country nationals and missing Kuwaiti property, including the national archives, should be submitted on dates other than those of his reports on the activities of UNAMI;
- The designation or appointment of a UNAMI official whose sole responsibility will be to follow up on those issues.

Lastly, we should like to reiterate our appreciation for the support the Security Council is giving Iraq as it strives to fulfil its remaining obligations pursuant to the Security Council resolutions pertaining to the situation between Iraq and Kuwait.

(Signed) Sabah Khalid Al Hamad **Al Sabah**
Deputy Prime Minister
Minister for Foreign Affairs