

Article 140 and the Future of Iraq Conference

2172 Rayburn House Office Building

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Agenda

8:45 – 9:15 AM	Conference Registration and Breakfast served
9:15 – 9:20 AM	Welcome Remarks by Dr. Najmaldin Karim, President of Washington Kurdish Institute
9:20 – 9:35 AM	Remarks by General Jay Garner
9:35 – 10:00 AM	Remarks by Hon. Dr. Kamal Kirkuki, Deputy Speaker of Parliament, Kurdistan Regional Government
10:00 – 11:30 AM	Panel Discussion: Article 140 and the Iraq Constitution Chair: Dr. Najmaldin Karim Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Hon. Ambassador Peter Galbraith, Fellow at the Center for Arms Control and Non-Proliferation- Jason Gluck, Rule of Law Advisor, U.S. Institute of Peace- Prof. Brendan O'Leary, Director of the Penn Program in Ethnic Conflict, University of Pennsylvania- Hon. Joe Reeder, former Under Secretary of the US Army
11:30 – 11:40 AM	Remarks by H.E. Dr. Mohammad Ihsan, Minister for Extra-Regional Affairs, Kurdistan Regional Government
11:40 – 11:50 AM	Remarks by Dr. Kendal Nezan, President of the Kurdish Institute of Paris
11:50 – 11:55 AM	Remarks by Dr. Saman Shali, President of Kurdish National Congress
11:55 – 1:15 PM	Break for Lunch
1:15 – 2:15 PM	Panel Discussion: History and Current Situation Chair: Dr. Saman Shali, President of Kurdish National Congress Panelists: Dr. Mohammad Ihsan, Dr. Najmaldin Karim, and Dr. Kamal Kirkuki
2:15 – 2:30 PM	Afternoon Break with Refreshments Served
2:30 – 4:15 PM	Panel Discussion: Reconciliation and Power-Sharing Chair: Prof. Brendan O' Leary Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Hon. Ambassador David Berger, former Canadian ambassador and MP- Erin Mathews, Director of Iraq programs at the National Democratic Institute- David L. Phillips, Visiting Scholar - Columbia Univ. Center for the Study of Human Rights- David Pollock, Fellow at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy- Qubad Talabani, Kurdistan Regional Government Representative to the US
4:15 – 4:30 PM	Closing Remarks
