COALITION PROVISIONAL AUTHORITY ORDER NUMBER 42

CREATION OF THE DEFENSE SUPPORT AGENCY

Pursuant to my authority as Administrator of the Coalition Provisional Authority (CPA), and under the laws and usages of war, and consistent with relevant U.N. Security Council resolutions, including Resolution 1483 (2003),

Recalling that U.N. Resolution 1483 (2003) called upon the CPA to promote the welfare of the Iraqi people through the effective administration of the territory, including in particular working towards the restoration of conditions of security and stability.

Further Recalling that CPA Order Number 22 established a New Iraqi Army as the first step towards the creation of the national defense force which is essential to the security and stability of Iraq,

Acknowledging that effective, centralized administrative and logistical support are vital to the success of the New Iraqi Army,

I hereby promulgate the following:

Section 1 Establishment

- 1) This Order establishes the Defense Support Agency (DSA) as a civilian agency charged with the administrative and logistical support of the New Iraqi Army.
- 2) The DSA shall operate under the authority, direction and control of the CPA.
- 3) The DSA shall operate pursuant to this order unless or until it is dissolved by the Administrator of the CPA ("the Administrator") or the internationally recognized, representative government established by the people of Iraq.

Section 2 Duties

- 1) The DSA shall be responsible for the following functions in support of the New Iraqi Army:
 - a) Finance and accounting, including payroll, disbursements, and accounting for expenditures by the New Iraqi Army;
 - b) Personnel management;

- c) Training support;
- d) Recruitment;
- e) Procurement;
- f) Logistics support, including maintenance, supply, and transportation;
- g) Medical support;
- h) Legal affairs;
- i) Real property management, including construction and repair of New Iraqi Army buildings and oversight of the management of military bases by their commanders; and
- j) other duties in support of the New Iraqi Army as determined by the Administrator.
- 2) The DSA shall not exercise any command authority or staff function over New Iraqi Army military units, or be responsible for setting security policy. Nor shall the DSA be responsible for determining the requirements of the New Iraqi Army.
- 3) The DSA shall submit a quarterly report to the Governing Council detailing its prior quarter activities and plans for the following quarter.

Section 3 Structure

- 1) The Administrator shall appoint a Director-General of the DSA. Until such appointment has been made, the CPA Director of Security Affairs (National Security and Defense) shall serve as interim Director-General. The Director-General shall report directly to the Administrator.
- 2) The DSA shall initially consist of six Departments:
 - a) Financial Management;
 - b) Personnel Management, Recruiting, and Training;
 - c) Procurement and Logistics Support;
 - d) Real Property Management;

- e) Legal Affairs; and
- f) Medical Support.
- 3) The Director-General, with the approval of the Administrator or his designee, shall appoint the Director of each Department.
- 4) The Director-General may establish, reorganize, or eliminate Departments by Administrative Instruction. Likewise, the Director-General may apportion, reapportion or remove Department responsibilities by Administrative Instruction. Any such Administrative Instructions shall require the approval of the Administrator or his designee.
- 5) Defense Support Agency personnel shall be civilians and may include former military personnel and civilian state employees. No person who was a full member of the Baath Party holding the rank of 'Udw Qutriyya (Regional Command Member), 'Udw Far' (Branch Member), 'Udw Shu'bah (Section Member), or 'Udw Firqah (Group Member) shall be eligible for employment in the DSA except with specific permission of the Administrator.
- 6) Salaries of DSA personnel will conform to the salary structure applicable to Iraqi government employees.

Section 4 Administrative Instructions

The Director-General may issue Administrative Instructions, not inconsistent with Iraqi law or any CPA Order, Regulation, or Memorandum, as necessary to carry out the duties described under this Order.

Section 5 Entry into Force

This Order shall enter into force on the date of signature.

L. Paul Bremer, Administrator Coalition Provisional Authority