

**Security Council**Distr.: General
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Resolution 1500 (2003)**Adopted by the Security Council at its 4808th meeting,
on 14 August 2003***The Security Council,**Recalling* all its previous relevant resolutions, in particular resolution 1483 (2003) of 22 May 2003,*Reaffirming* the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Iraq,*Reaffirming also* the vital role for the United Nations in Iraq which was set out in relevant paragraphs of resolution 1483 (2003),*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General of 15 July 2003 (S/2003/715),

1. *Welcomes* the establishment of the broadly representative Governing Council of Iraq on 13 July 2003, as an important step towards the formation by the people of Iraq of an internationally recognized, representative government that will exercise the sovereignty of Iraq;

2. *Decides* to establish the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq to support the Secretary-General in the fulfilment of his mandate under resolution 1483 in accordance with the structure and responsibilities set out in his report of 15 July 2003, for an initial period of twelve months;

3. *Decides* to remain seized of this matter.
