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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

18 FEB 2005

FROM: Peter W. Rodman, Assistant Secretary of Defense, International Security Affairs

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- You asked for a timeline of what is going to happen next in Iraq, and the ranges of dates as to when they will take place.
- The attached timeline was presented by Ron Schlicher of the State Department at the 3 February Senate Armed Services Committee hearing.

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Iraq Timeline

Ron Schlicher, Office of Coordinator for Iraq, State Department, provided the Senate Armed Services Committee with the following timeline for upcoming events in Iraq:

- The IECI expects to announce final election results by February 15;
- The Transitional National Assembly (TNA) will then convene and select the three-member Transitional Government Presidency Council.
- The three members of the Presidency Council must unanimously name a Prime Minister within two weeks.
 - If the Presidency Council fails to name a Prime Minister within two weeks, the responsibility moves to the TNA, which must confirm a nomination by a two-thirds majority.
- The Prime Minister then has up to one month in which to name a Council of Ministers.
 - If the Prime Minister is unable to nominate a Council of Ministers within one month, the Presidency Council shall name another Prime Minister.
- The transitional government will draft a new constitution by August 15.
- The constitution will be put before Iraqi voters in a referendum no later than October 15.
 - If Iraqi voters approve the constitution, they will vote again according to its precepts for a permanent government by the end of this year.



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