Resolution 1700 (2006)

Adopted by the Security Council at its 5510th meeting, on 10 August 2006

The Security Council,


Reaffirming the independence, sovereignty, unity and territorial integrity of Iraq,

Recalling the establishment of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI) on 14 August 2003, the mandate of which was extended most recently on 11 August 2005, and reaffirming that the United Nations should play a leading role in assisting the efforts of the Iraqi people and Government in strengthening institutions for representative government, and in promoting national dialogue and unity,

Stressing that this Iraqi national dialogue, which UNAMI should assist, is crucial for Iraq’s political stability and unity,

Welcoming the request conveyed in the letter of 3 August 2006 from the Foreign Minister of Iraq to the Secretary-General (S/2006/609), expressing the view of the constitutionally elected Government of Iraq that there continues to be a vital role for UNAMI in assisting Iraqi efforts to build a productive and prosperous nation at peace with itself and its neighbours,

Taking note of the letter dated 1 August 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2006/601), and expressing its appreciation for the role that the United Nations is playing in Iraq with the support of the international community,

Welcoming the Secretary-General’s agreement, as requested by the Government of Iraq, that the United Nations, as co-chair, will provide strong support for the International Compact of Iraq, launched on 27 July 2006 with a joint statement by the Government of Iraq and the United Nations,

1. Decides to extend the mandate of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI) for another period of twelve months from the date of this resolution;
2. *Expresses* its intention to review the mandate of UNAMI in twelve months or sooner, if requested by the Government of Iraq;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to update the Council on a regular basis on the latest developments of the International Compact of Iraq;

4. *Decides* to remain seized of the matter.