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# New Social Safety Net Program

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# **SSN Program**

## **Update as of Dec. 15 2005**

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**This training document is made according to  
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## Update as of Dec. 15 2005



- ***Proposed Law to amend the Social Welfare Law #126 of 1980 was read twice by Transitional National Assembly but is still not adopted.***
- ***General Budget Law for 2006 adopted by National Assembly. A new set of Regulations was drafted on December 11<sup>th</sup> 2005 and to be issued as a Cabinet Decision(1). Were drafted according to draft Regulations:***
  - ***New application form for disabled persons***
  - ***New application form for low-income families***
  - ***New SSN Guide to claiming benefits for low-income families***

**(1):** If the draft Regulations contain new rules or principles, the new rules or principles shall have priority over the existing rules stated in Social Welfare Law #126 of 1980. Legal References in this text are made according to the draft of Regulations of Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> 2005, other legal references are made according to the appropriate legislation.

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## As of Dec. 15 2005



### Starting in December 2005.

- Iraqi citizens and Palestinians of 1948 covered by Law #126 of 1980 will receive monthly benefit up to the amount indicated in Table 1 corresponding to their family size if their monthly family income is below ceiling amount indicated in Table 1.

Family size	1	2	3	4	5	6 or more
Monthly Income ceiling	ID 50,000	ID 70,000	ID 90,000	ID 100,000	ID 110,000	ID120,000

- **SSN package as per Cabinet Decision includes (art. 5):**

### **Social Benefits**

**Micro-grants (families cannot receive at the same time social benefits; art. 31)**

**Career counseling - Vocational Training – Job mediation and placement**

**Food transfer**



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# **What is a low-income family?**

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## What is a low-income family?



- **Low income families mean families or single persons whose income is below the ceiling corresponding to their family size as stated in Table 1. (art. 6)**

Family size	1	2	3	4	5	6 or more
Monthly Income ceiling	ID 50,000	ID 70,000	ID 90,000	ID 100,000	ID 110,000	ID120,000

**The family size for the eligibility test considers all family members living together in Iraq, no matter if one family member is disabled, minor, adult who is able to work or not, jobless or not, registered with Employment Center or not, etc. (see definition of family members on next slide).**

**Note that family size for the calculation of the Social welfare benefits may be different from the family size for the eligibility test.**

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## What is a low-income family?



- Family means husband or wife or both and their children, who live together. (art. 7(1))
- Single person who does not share resources with other family members and who lives separately is entitled to receive SSN. (art. 7(2))
- Family members not living in Iraq are not considered in the family size and are not entitled for SSN program (art. 19.4)
- Wife and husband who are factually separated (step before divorce) are considered as two different families. (art. 14(3))

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## What is a low-income family?



- **When a husband is married to more than one wife, the husband and his wives and children are considered as part of only one family. If the husband dies, each wife will have an independent family made of herself and her unmarried children. (Art. 9 of Law #126 of 1980)**
- **The identity of each member of the family shall be attested to by the Ministry of Interior. (art. 10(4))**

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## What is a low-income family?

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### Examples of families:

- **Father – mother living in Najaf and unmarried son living in Baghdad:**
  - = 2 families, one family made up of a mother and father in Najaf and a one person family for the unmarried son living in Baghdad
- **Unmarried brothers and sisters living together in Baghdad:**
  - = 1 family made up of unmarried brothers and sisters.
- **Household made up of a widow mother with one married son and one unmarried daughter all living together:**
  - = 2 families, one family made up of a widow mother with unmarried daughter and another family made up the married son with his wife and children if any.

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## What is a low-income family?



For the purpose of the application form for low-income families, the head of the family is considered to be the claimant:

Claimant considered as head of the family:	Other Family members
Husband	One or more wives With or without unmarried children living with their parents
Wife	Husband is a detainee or disabled With or without unmarried children living with their mother
Widow	With or without unmarried children living with their mother
Widower	With or without unmarried children living with their father
Divorcee (woman)	Without children or with unmarried children if she has custody of the children
Divorcee (man)	Without children or with unmarried children if he has custody of the children
Factually separated male	With or without unmarried children living with their father
Factually separated female	With or without unmarried children living with their mother

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## What is a low-income family?



For the purpose of the application form for low-income families, the head of the family is considered to be the claimant:

Claimant considered as head of the family:	Other Family members
Orphan placed in an orphanage (Only eligible for child allowance)	None
Orphan	None
Adult without living parents (If not an only child, the oldest son is considered as the head of the family)	With or without unmarried brothers or sisters living with the claimant
Single person not living with other family members	None
Oldest son living with other family members but not with parents	With unmarried brothers or sisters living with the claimant
Only child (minor or adult) of a widow who has remarried	None
Oldest son (minor or adult) of a widow who has remarried	With unmarried brothers or sisters living with the claimant
Only child (minor or adult) of a divorcee who has remarried	None
Oldest son (minor or adult) of a divorcee who has remarried	With unmarried brothers or sisters living with the claimant

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## What is a low-income family



### Are entitled to SSN program:

- All Iraqi citizens living in Iraq

(former citizens whose their Iraqi citizenship were withdrawn for political, religious, racial, or sectarian reasons have the right to reclaim their Iraqi citizenship, Art. 11 of Law of Administration for the state of Iraq for the transitional period, March 8, 2004)

Citizenship certificates are issued to Iraqi citizens by Ministry of Interior

- All Palestinians of 1948 and their descendants living in Iraq

( according to Resolution 202 of September 2001, Palestinians of 1948 and their descendants have the same rights than Iraqi citizens but can never obtain an Iraqi citizenship)

Travel documents are issued to Palestinians of 1948 and their descendants by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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## What is a low-income family



**Family income means any cash revenues or in kind benefits, or any commercial gains coming from using movable or immovable property in the month before the application is submitted (art. 9(1))**

**The annual estimation of the commercial gains coming from using movable or immovable property in a specific area of the country shall be made by the Local Council. (art. 9(2))**

- This issue has to be more discussed with the Local Council to provide them guidelines on how to assess income.

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## What is a low-income family



In order to assess the monthly family income, the following documents are requested (art. 10(5)):

- Local Council certificate attesting to the family status and income sourcing.
- General Commission for Taxes (GCT) certificate regarding the source and nature of income for which the applicant is a taxpayer. (Note that an individual earning less than ID 2,500,000 a year does not have to file a tax return with the GCT.)
- State Pension Department certificate attesting to the level of pension for each family retiree, if any.
- Social Security Office certificate attesting to the level of pension for each member of the family who is a social security pension beneficiary, if any.
- Business Registry certificate attesting that no member of the family has shares in a private company or operates a business.
- Any other other supporting documents as requested by the Social Welfare Office. (art. 10(4) and 10(6))
- The Social Welfare Office can decide that some documents are not required (art. 10(6))

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## What is a low-income family



### Family's monthly income details:

Family's monthly income details; Enter below for each member of the family his monthly income from any source									
Family Member	Legal Alimony Income	Employment Income*	Pension Income	Social Security Income	Business Income	Agricultural Income	Rental Income	Other Income	Deemed income**
Applicant									
Wife									
Child #1									
Child #2									
Child #3									
Child #4									
Child #5									
Other children									
Other wives									
<b>Total</b>									

\*: Employment income means all income paid by an employer to a person such as a salary, wage, bonus allowances, etc. and the value of in-kind benefits given by an Employer.

\*\* Deemed income is income that a person may earn if he uses his assets as productive source of income. For example, the fair market value of a rental building if vacant.

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## What is a low-income family



**For each member of the family, including the claimant, record the income earned on a monthly basis as confirmed by the Local Council.**

**For a new application, consider the income earned in the previous month of filling out the application form.**

**Once benefits are paid, any member of the family who is aged of 16 years old or older must inform immediately the Social Welfare Office about any important changes regarding income or family status. (art. 24(1)).**

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## What is a low-income family



Type of income	Description
Legal alimony	Amount of legal alimony for herself and/or children received by an applicant who is a divorcee or separated.
Employment income	Amount received by an applicant and the applicant's family's members from employment. Example: wages, salary, bonus, any kind of allowances, value of in-kind benefits (such as free lodging, free transportation)
Pension income	Amount of pension paid by the state pension plan. Amount of survivor's allowance paid to an orphan or widow. Amount of disability pension paid.
Social security income	Amount of social security income paid by the Social Security Office (MOLSA). Amount of survivor's allowance paid to an orphan or widow. Amount of disability pension paid.
Business income	Net profit from carrying on a business as a sole proprietor or trader.
Agricultural income	Net profit from carrying on farming activities or agricultural activities.
Rental income	Income earned from the rental of buildings or vacant land
Other income	Other income not mentioned above. For example, dividends received from a corporation.
Deemed income	Income that a family might earn if all assets were used in a different manner. For example, the fair market value of a vacant building that could be rented but is not.

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## What is a low-income family



The Social Welfare Office might deny any application if the family's total assets are sufficiently large to assist the family's subsistence.

<b>Family's Total Assets;</b> Enter below Fair Market Value of the claimant's, spouse and adult child's assets									
Family Member	Residence	Other Building and land beneath	Farm land and Vacant land	Livestock	Motor Vehicles	Financial assets	Other Assets	Total	Description - Comments
Claimant									
Wife									
All Adult children									
All other wives									
<b>Total</b>									

Depending on the value of the family's total assets, the Social Welfare Office might reject any family's application for social welfare benefits.



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# **Conditions to be met by all Family adult members**

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## Conditions to be met by Family adult members



### **1) *Each Family adult member who is able to work and jobless must be registered as a jobseeker with an Employment Center of the Governorate where his/her domicile or residence is located. (art. 8)***

- If an adult who is able to work is not registered, then the entire family is not entitled to receive SSN benefits
- Adult means a person who is 18 years old or older at the time of application.
- Who is considered as an adult not “able to work”?
  - Disabled person considered as such by the Social Welfare Office (Disability Diagnostic Center)
  - Male aged of 60 years old or older;
  - Female aged of 55 years old or older;
  - Student
  - Detainee (note that only a spouse’s detainee can apply on behalf of the family)

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## Conditions to be met by Family adult members



**2) Each family adult member who is able to work, jobless and is registered with an Employment Center must participate in a Vocational Training Program, if available, upon the decision of the Employment Center (art. 8(3))**

- Housewives, widows and divorcees do not have to participate in a Vocational Training Program. (art. 8(5))
- Other adult females do not have to participate in a Vocational Training Program. (added on application form)
- Refusal of a male adult who is able to work, jobless and is registered with an Employment Center to participate in a Vocational Training program will result in the denial of the SSN benefit to the entire family.

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## Conditions to be met by Family adult members

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**3) Each family adult member who is able to work, jobless and is registered with an Employment Center must have never refused a second job offer made by an Employment Center. (art 18.3)**

- **Only females can refuse a job offer made by an Employment Center (art. 18(5))**
- **Refusal of a male adult who is able to work, jobless and is registered with an Employment Center of a second job offer made by an Employment Center will result in the denial of the SSN benefit to the entire family.**

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## Conditions to be met by Family adult members

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**4) Each family adult member who is able to work, jobless and registered with an Employment Center must renew and present, on quarterly basis, a certificate issued by the Employment Center attesting that no job was available in the relevant quarter. (art. 19.3)**

- **Only females can refuse a job offer made by an Employment Center (art. 18(5)), therefore, they don't need to ask for a certificate issued by the Employment Center attesting that no job was available.**



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# **Calculation of Social Welfare Benefits for Low-Income Families**

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## Calculation of social welfare benefits



**Amount of Social welfare benefits shall be calculated as the difference between the monthly family's income as tested (verified) and the ceiling corresponding to the family size as stipulated in Table 1.(art. 13(1)) Note: see new family size calculation below:**

- Adults who are able to work, jobless and registered with an Employment Center shall not be included in the family size for the purpose of social welfare benefit calculation. (art. 14(1)). Note that the number of adults females who are able to work and registered with an Employment Center reduces the family size as for males.

**Example: one husband able to work, jobless and registered with an Employment center, one housewife, one child 5 years old.**

**Family size for eligibility purposes = 3 family members**

**Family size for calculation of social welfare benefits = 2 family members**

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## Calculation of social welfare benefits



**If a family is eligible to receive social welfare benefits, it cannot be lower than ID 50,000 for all type of families except for a single person who is able to work and registered as jobseeker with an Employment Center. (art. 13(2))**

- This minimum is introduced because current families covered by the previous system are actually receiving this amount.

**However, the minimum amount is decreased by 25% for single persons who are able to work and registered as jobseeker with an Employment Center (ID 37,500). (art. 17)**

- This reduction is made because services will be provided to those persons, for example Vocational Training Program, job seeking assistance, career counseling, etc.

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## Calculation of social welfare benefits

### Child allowance



Low-income families are entitled to receive in addition to other benefits a child allowance for any minor child who is going to school after primary school until they graduate secondary school or vocational school. (art 25(1) and 28)

Child allowance is ID 5,000 per month (art. 29)

Family must present, on a quarterly basis, a certificate issued by the school certifying that the child attends in an education program for the relevant quarter. (art. 25(2))

Beneficiary of the child allowance is the child and recipient is the mother or trustee in case of orphans. (art. 27).

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## Calculation of social welfare benefits

### General Calculation Sheet



Family size as indicated in part 1 of Table G)	1	
Minus: Number of adults able to work and registered with an Employment Center according to information in this form	2	
New family size (if equals zero, enter 1)	3	

Select one of the following monthly income ceiling amounts corresponding to the new family size as per line 3 above and enter the applicable amount on line 4	4	
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New family size	Monthly ceiling	
1	ID 50,000	
2	ID 70,000	
3	ID 90,000	
4	ID 100,000	
5	ID 110,000	
6 or more	ID 120,000	

Enter on line 5 Total family's income as determined in Table D)	5	
Subtract line 5 from line 4 (if the result is negative, indicate zero)	6	
Enter the amount from line 6 or ID 50,000, whichever is higher	7	

Enter the number of minor children attending school after primary school on line 8:	8		
	9	5,000	
Multiply line 8 by ID 5,000 and record it on line 10	10		10 <span style="background-color: #cccccc;"></span>

Add lines 7 and 10 Amount of Monthly Social Welfare benefits for all other kinds of families:	11	
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## Calculation of social welfare benefits

### Special Cases



#### Monthly Social Welfare Benefits Determination – SPECIAL CASES:

1) Is the claimant able to work and registered as jobseeker a widow or divorcee without children and her total monthly income is below ID 50,000?

YES

NO

If YES, Monthly benefit is ID 50,000

2) Is the claimant able to work and registered as a jobseeker and is either, a single person, divorced man without children, widower without children, single adult child of a widow or divorcee who has remarried and earns less than ID 50,000 per month?

YES

NO

If YES, Monthly benefit is ID 37,500

3) Is the applicant an orphan placed in an orphanage and going to school after primary school?

YES

NO

If YES. Monthly benefit is ID 5.000

**For other cases not mentioned above, use the general calculation sheet**

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## Calculation of social welfare benefits

### Example 1



<b>Family's Members Summary</b>								
For each family member including the claimant, fill out the information below.								
For columns 5 to 8, enter the number 1 if the family member corresponds to the description below								
	Family member Name	Gender	Relationship To claimant	Adult	Adult able to work and registered with Employment Center	Minor	Minor attending school after primary school*	Monthly Income
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Claimant	X- X- X (Married)	male	Not applicable	1	1			20,000
wife	Y- Y- Y	female	wife	1	1			
Child 1	Z- Z- Z	male	son	1	1			10,000
Child2	A- A- A	female	daughter			1	1	
Child 3	C-C-C	male	son			1		
<b>Total:</b>				3	3	2	1	30,000

**Family size for eligibility purpose: 5, family is eligible to receive benefits since the monthly income is below ID 110,000**

**Family size for benefits calculation: 2**

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## Calculation of social welfare benefits

### Example 1



Family size as indicated in part 1 of Table G)	1	5
Minus: Number of adults able to work and registered with an Employment Center according to information in this form	2	3
New family size (if equals zero, enter 1)	3	2

Select one of the following monthly income ceiling amounts corresponding to the new family size as per line 3 above and enter the applicable amount on line 4	4	70,000
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New family size	Monthly ceiling
1	ID 50,000
2	ID 70,000
3	ID 90,000
4	ID 100,000
5	ID 110,000
6 or more	ID 120,000

Enter on line 5 Total family's income as determined in Table D)	5	30,000
Subtract line 5 from line 4 (if the result is negative, indicate zero)	6	40,000
Enter the amount from line 6 or ID 50,000, whichever is higher	7	50,000

Enter the number of minor children attending school after primary school on line 8:	8	1	
	9	5,000	
Multiply line 8 by ID 5,000 and record it on line 10	10	5,000	10

Add lines 7 and 10	11	55,000
Amount of Monthly Social Welfare benefits for all other kinds of families:		



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## Calculation of social welfare benefits

### Example 2



<b>Family's Members Summary</b>								
For each family member including the claimant, fill out the information below.								
For columns 5 to 8, enter the number 1 if the family member corresponds to the description below.								
	Family member Name	Gender	Relationship To claimant	Adult	Adult able to work and registered with Employment Center	Minor	Minor attending school after primary school*	Monthly Income
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Claimant	X- X- X (Married)	male	Not applicable	1	1			50,000
wife	Y- Y- Y	female	wife	1	1			
Child 1	Z- Z- Z (disabled)	male	son	1	0			
Child 2	A- A- A	female	daughter			1	1	
Child 3	C -C -C	male	son			1	1	
<b>Total:</b>				3	2	2	2	50,000

**Family size for eligibility purpose: 5, family is eligible to receive benefits since the monthly income is below ID 110,000**

**Family size for benefits calculation: 3**

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## Calculation of social welfare benefits

### Example 2



Family size as indicated in part 1 of Table G)	1	5
Minus: Number of adults able to work and registered with an Employment Center according to information in this form	2	2
New family size (if equals zero, enter 1)	3	3

Select one of the following monthly income ceiling amounts corresponding to the new family size as per line 3 above and enter the applicable amount on line 4	4	90,000														
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Enter the amount from line 6 or ID 50,000, whichever is higher	7	50,000														

Enter the number of minor children attending school after primary school on line 8:	8	2	
	9	5,000	
Multiply line 8 by ID 5,000 and record it on line 10	10	10,000	10

Add lines 7 and 10			
Amount of Monthly Social Welfare benefits for all other kinds of families:	11	60,000	

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## Calculation of social welfare benefits

### Example 3



<b>Family's Members Summary</b>								
For each family member including the claimant, fill out the information below.								
For columns 5 to 8, enter the number 1 if the family member corresponds to the description below.								
	Family member Name	Gender	Relationship To claimant	Adult	Adult able to work and registered with Employment Center	Minor	Minor attending school after primary school*	Monthly Income
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Claimant	X- X- X (Married)	male	Not applicable	1	1			0
wife	Y- Y- Y	female	wife	1	1			
Child 1	Z- Z- Z (worker)	male	son	1	0			30,000
Child 2	A- A- A	female	daughter			1	1	
Child 3	C -C -C	male	son			1	1	
Child 4	V- V- V	male	son			1		
Child 5	B- B -B	male	son			1		
<b>Total:</b>				3	2	4	2	30,000

**Family size for eligibility purpose: 7 family is eligible to receive benefits since the monthly income is below ID 120,000**

**Family size for benefits calculation: 5**



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## Calculation of social welfare benefits

### Example 3



Family size as indicated in part 1 of Table G)	1	7
Minus: Number of adults able to work and registered with an Employment Center according to information in this form	2	2
New family size (if equals zero, enter 1)	3	5

Select one of the following monthly income ceiling amounts corresponding to the new family size as per line 3 above and enter the applicable amount on line 4	4	110,000
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New family size	Monthly ceiling		
1	ID 50,000		
2	ID 70,000		
3	ID 90,000		
4	ID 100,000		
5	ID 110,000		
6 or more	ID 120,000		

Enter on line 5 Total family's income as determined in Table D)	5	30,000
Subtract line 5 from line 4 (if the result is negative, indicate zero)	6	80,000
Enter the amount from line 6 or ID 50,000, whichever is higher	7	80,000

Enter the number of minor children attending school after primary school on line 8:	8	2		
	9	5,000		
Multiply line 8 by ID 5,000 and record it on line 10	10	10,000	10	10,000

Add lines 7 and 10 Amount of Monthly Social Welfare benefits for all other kinds of families:	11	90,000
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## Calculation of social welfare benefits

### Phasing out of Social Welfare Benefits



**Once receiving benefits, if a family member has taken a new job and because of this new additional salary the family's monthly income is higher than the ceiling for the eligibility test, the benefit shall be reduced as follows:**

- 50% in the first month following the month of receiving new salary
- 75% in the second month following the month of receiving new additional salary
- 100% in the third month following

**NOTE: The phasing out process starts with the first quarter following the quarter in which the change in the family income occurred. (art. 15)**

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## Calculation of social welfare benefits

### Phasing out of Social Welfare Benefits; Example 4



#### Example 4:

Take the information of example 3 where a family is receiving a monthly benefit of ID 90,000. The adult son is taking an additional job and earns now an additional amount of ID 100,000 starting in February 2006.

**New family income is now (100,000 + 30,000) ID 130,000**

Family size	1	2	3	4	5	6 or more
Monthly Income ceiling	ID 50,000	ID 70,000	ID 90,000	ID 100,000	ID 110,000	ID 120,000

**Family size for eligibility purpose: 7 = family is no more eligible to receive benefits since the monthly income is over ID 120,000**

**Therefore, In April 2006, the family will receive ID 45,000**

**In May 2006, the family will receive ID 22,500**

**June 2006 and after, the family will not receive any more benefits**



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## Calculation of social welfare benefits; Modification



**Since Social Welfare Benefits are paid once every quarter,**

- changes in family status and income,
- changes in number of adults able to work or minors going to school and not providing a school attendance certificate, etc.

**will be considered only in the quarter following the quarter where the changes took place. (art. 25(3), art. 16(2))**

**In case where a family chooses the micro-grant program instead of receiving social welfare benefits, the social welfare benefits shall be phased out after 3 months from the time the micro grant has been awarded. (art. 31)**



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# Disabled persons

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## Disabled persons



**A disabled person who has lost his/her work capacity shall receive the benefit corresponding to a single person as stated in table 1 (ID 50,000), regardless of his/her family size and income (art. 22(1))**

**If a disabled person is entitled to receive a disability pension according to:**

- Civil Pension Law for governmental employees;
- Law of Pension and Social Security for workers in the private sector; or
- Any other Pension Laws

**No benefit as disability benefit can be paid to the individual(art. 22(3))**

**Disability must be checked by MOLSA Disability Diagnostic Center or special committee (art. 52, 53 of Law #126 of 1980)**

**Complete specific form for disabled person (art. 22(4))**

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## Disabled persons



**If a disabled person is member of a family, the family can still claim a social welfare benefits only if the monthly family's income is below the family ceiling.**

**The disabled person shall be counted in the family size for the purpose of calculation of social benefits (art. 22(2))**

**Example: family made up of a father, mother, one adult son who is disabled, four minor sons not going to school. The only family's income is earned by the disabled person from a disability pension; ID 100,000. The disabled person cannot receive 50,000/ month**

**Family size for eligibility purpose: 7 family is eligible to receive benefits since the monthly income is below ID 120,000**

**Family size for benefits calculation: 5, family will receive ID 50,000**



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# **Registration Number “Tax & Social Number (10 digit)”**

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**This section has not been approved by MOLSA counterparts  
But was agreed verbally with GCT counterparts.  
This section is only presented for discussion only**

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# Registration Number

## “Tax & Social Number (10 digit)”



**It is fundamental to be able to identify each person for his tax affairs, social security or social welfare benefits with a unique identification number that will be used by the person until his/her death.**

### **Actually, there is no unique identification number in Iraq:**

- Citizenship certificate number, if an individual loses a certificate, a new serial number is issued (no citizenship certificates are issued for Palestinians)
- Personal status card, if marital status changes or address changes a new serial number is issued
- Ration Card number, if a family is moving, a new ration card number is issued.

**For these reasons, MOLSA and GCT need to issue their own identification number for each person dealing with them.**

**The identification Number, once issued, will be used for either GCT or MOLSA dealings.**

*For discussion only*

# Registration Number “Tax & Social Number (10 digit)”



**GCT High Officials have already agreed on the principle of a 10 digit number to identify their individual taxpayers, either residents or non-residents of Iraq having the obligation to file a tax return.**

**It is proposed that GCT will issue this number in the following order:**

1. 1) Individuals transferring Real Estate
2. 2) Individuals renting Real Estate or owning vacant lands
3. 3) Sole-proprietors or traders
4. 4) Employees in the private sector (MOLSA Social Security Office will use the same number)
5. 5) Employees in the public sector

**GCT will not issue an identification No. to members of low-income families, disabled persons and retirees since they don't generally have tax liabilities.**

**GCT will issue a unique number to Employees in the private or public sector because they are subject to Wage Withholding Tax**

*For discussion only*

# Registration Number “Tax & Social Number (10 digit)”



**MOLSA, Social Office will be in charge of issuing a 10 digit number for:**

- Head of families (can also be a minor person)
- Disabled persons

**In a second stage, MOLSA will be in charge of issuing a 10 digit number for spouses and adult children because they are requested to be registered with an Employment Center.**

**Each registered person will be issued a registration card containing the permanent information: Name, mother’s and father’s name, Date and place of birth, gender and 10 digit number.**

**No address written on the card because it is not permanent, pictures not required because the person will have to show a proof of identification with recent picture on it.**

**If a person loses a card, another one will be printed with same information.**

# Registration Number

## “Tax & Social Number (10 digit)”



### When? It will depend on the following issues to be resolved:

- The software to issue the 10 digit number has not been designed
- Set of Instructions or Regulations will be necessary to determine the procedures to issue the new 10 digit number and force family members to inform death of a person.
- Discussion and agreement must be taken place between MOLSA and GCT counterparts. (allocation and control of identification No., exchange of information, communication between the MOLSA and GCT databases, etc.)
- Installation of IT infrastructure (computers, servers, internet, training personnel)

Designed forms contain enough identification information so we can issue a 10 digit number later for heads of families. In order to issue a 10 digit number for spouses and adult children, a new form can be designed later on.

We cannot possibly expect to issue any number before June 2006

***For discussion only***

# Registration Number “Tax & Social Number (10 digit)”



**If a person has already a GCT registration card with a 10 digit identification number and becomes a head of family of a low-income family, the Social Welfare Office will do the following:**

- Ask the claimant to fill-out an application form for low-income family and indicate the 10 digit identification number issued by the GCT.
- Social Welfare Office (data-processing center) will verify if this number is valid with online communication with GCT database.
- A registration card for Social Welfare Benefits will be issued using the same number already issued by the GCT.

*For discussion only*

# Registration Number “Tax & Social Number (10 digit)”



**If a person has already a Social Welfare Office registration card with a 10 digit identification number and becomes a taxpayer, the GCT will do the following:**

- Ask the person to fill-out a registration form for tax purposes and indicate the 10 digit identification number issued by the Social Welfare Office.
- The GCT (data-processing center) will verify if this number is valid with online communication with Social Welfare Office database.
- A registration card for Tax will be issued using the same number already issued by the Social Welfare Office.

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# Sample of documents

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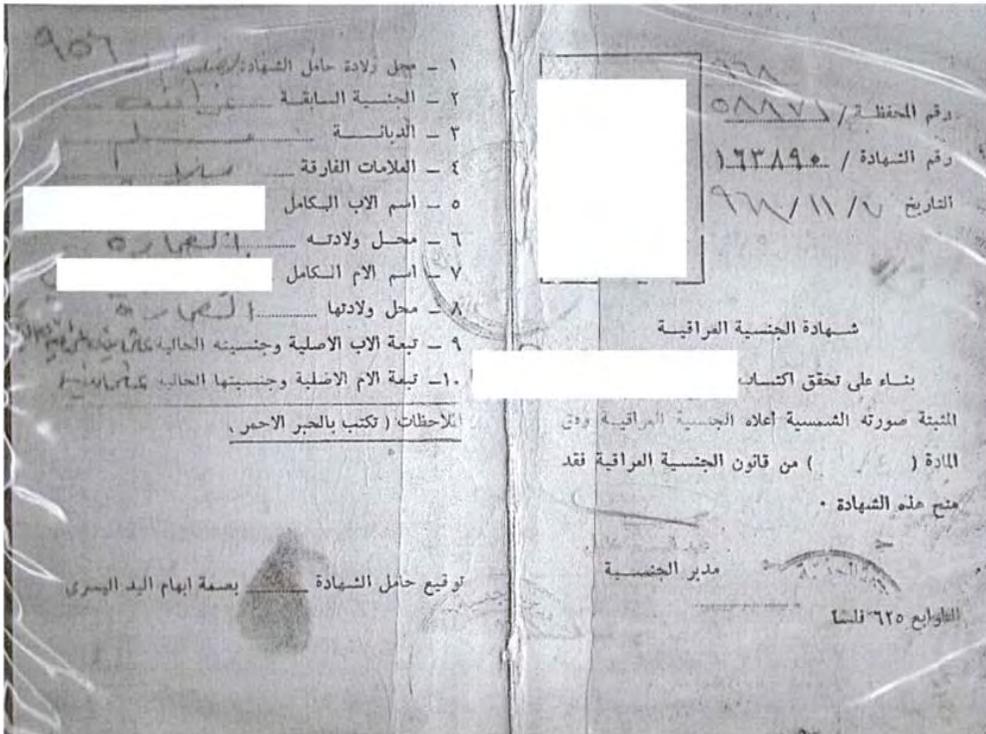
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## Sample of documents



### Sample of an Iraqi citizenship Certificate



56434 /c File No.  
 122345 Serial No.  
 30/2/1969 Date

- 1Place of birth: Baghdad
- 2former citizenship: Iraqi
- 3Religion: Muslim
- 4distinguishing marks: none
- 5full father's name: Hussein majid
- 6place of his birth: tikrit
- 7full mother's name: Sabha
- 8her place of birth: tikrit
- 9original citizenship of the father: Automan
- 1original citizenship of the mother: Automan

signature of the certificate holder----- left hand thumb

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## Sample of documents



### Sample of a Travel document issued to a Palestinian

This Document Contains  
( 36 Pages )

تحتوي هذه الوثيقة على  
( ٣٦ صفحة )



الجمهورية العربية السورية  
REPUBLIC OF IRAQ  
وثيقة سفر  
الفلسطينيين  
Travel Document For Palestinian

No. of Document رقم الوثيقة ٢٤٣ ٧٦٣  
A/ 048048 / ١  
Name الاسم  
Nationality الجنسية الفلسطينية  
Wife الزوجة  
عدد الاولاد  
Number of Children

REPUBLIC OF IRAQ  
TRAVEL DOCUMENT

الجمهورية العراقية  
وثيقة سفر

In the Name of the Minister  
for Foreign Affairs.  
Greetings:  
All Competent Authorities are  
Requested to Accord Bearer  
of this Travel Document  
Protection, to Allow him  
Passage and to Afford him  
all Possible Assistance in  
in Case of Need.

باسم وزير خارجية العراق  
تحية من يهتمهم الامر .  
ونرجو ان يسهلوا حامل هذه  
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له بالمرور وان يقدموا له  
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الافتضاء .

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The ٥ في اليوم الثالث  
of Sep 1988 من شهر ايلول  
Passport Officer ضابط الجوازات