

## UNAMI Electoral Update-29 December 2009

- A ballot lottery for the 2010 Council of Representatives (CoR) election was conducted by the IHEC on December 24. The lottery decided the order in which the political entities/coalitions contesting the parliamentary election will appear on the ballot paper. With 86 political entities/coalitions present to draw a number that would enlist them in the Voting Ballot, the event was covered by 20 television channels with a live broadcast by Al-Iraqiya.
- Following the ballot lottery, all technical requirements for the finalization of the ballot design are now in place.
- IHEC Out-of-Country (OCV) Operations Committee headed by the IHEC Head of Administration has been established. Members of the committee have been deployed to the OCV headquarter in Erbil, to coordinate the preparation and implementation of the OCV operation.
- IHEC continues efforts to create voter lists for the special category of voters, in order to ensure the names of the registered military and police are removed from the Final Voter List.
- The IHEC Board of Commissioners (BoC) continues to meet daily, to discuss ongoing operational requirements and procedural issues.