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BY-LAW OF THE "IRAQI-ITALIAN CENTRE FOR THE
RESTORATION AND MAINTENANCE OF MONUMENTS".

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Art. 1- Within the frame of the Agreement of Cultural Cooperation between Iraq and Italy, signed in Rome on April 14th 1967, the "Iraqi-Italian Centre for the Restoration and Maintenance of Monuments", hereafter called "the Centre" is established in Baghdad under the supervision of the Joint Committee contemplated by Art.1 of the above mentioned Agreement.

Art. 2-- The Centre has the following aims:

- a) by request of the Directorate General of Antiquities the Centre will carry out the following activities: studying, planning and supervising the restoration of historical buildings; protecting archaeological findings; safeguarding the historical, artistic and natural treasures of Iraq;
- b) the Centre will carry out the study, analysis and experimental methods of restoration, as well as detailed researches on the specific problems concerning the preservation of materials;
- c) the Centre will carry out the survey of Iraqi Monuments in order to gather all the data connected with their preservation and maintenance;
- d) the Centre will train experts in the above mentioned fields of restoration;

The Centre may be entrusted with similar tasks by International Organizations or by other Countries, following agreements stipulated to such effect between the Centre and the competent Authorities.

Art. 3-- The executive Body of the Centre is formed by the President, the Vice-President, the Council and the Director.

The Director General of Antiquities of Iraq is the President of the Centre; the Scientific Director of the "Centro Scavi per il Medio Oriente e l'Asia di Torino" (hereafter mentioned "Centro Scavi di Torino"), is the Vice-President.

The Council is formed by the President, the Vice-President, the Inspector General of Excavations of Iraq, the Head of the Faculty of Architecture of the University of Baghdad and a Representative of the Italian Embassy in Baghdad.

The Council will deliberate by a majority of votes and its resolutions will be recorded; the President has the right to the casting vote.

The Meetings of the Council must be attended by all the members, or their delegates, in order to give legal value to the meetings.

The Council plan the activity of the Centre and control its implementation; examine the proposals of the Iraqi Authorities; approve and submit to the Iraqi Authorities the studies and researches carried out by the Centre.

Members of the Council are not entitled to any attendance fee.

The Director will be proposed by the Centro Scavi di Torino and appointed by the Council.

The Director may be invited to attend the meetings of the Council, but he will have no right to vote. He is fully responsible for the implementation of the resolutions decided by the Council. According to the rules to be issued by the Council, the Director is fully responsible for the activity of the Centre as well as the control over the Iraqi and Italian staff. He will administrate the Centre.

Art. 9- The Italian Contracting Party will contribute to the activity of the Centre as follows:

- a) four experts will be assigned to the Centre by the Italian Government. As far as their salaries and activities are concerned, reference is to be made to the Italian Law for Technical Assistance. At least two of these experts must be architects specialized in restoration and maintenance of monuments. The other two experts will be chosen according to the requirements of the Centre;
- b) the Centro Scavi di Torino shall put at disposal of the Centre part of its building in Baghdad to be used as headquarters, as well as the furniture and equipment required by the Centre. Everything provided by the Centro Scavi di Torino will, however, remain its property;
- c) the Centre may use some of the special equipment which is at present in Italy at the disposal of the Centro Scavi di Torino, such as the electronic processor for the filing of the data of the monuments, the apparatus for the photogrammetric restitution, as well as laboratories for chemical and physic analysis. The Centro Scavi di Torino supplies also field technical equipment for the reconnaissance and surveying.

Art. 10- The Iraqi Contracting Party will contribute to the activity of the Centre as follows:

- a) the Iraqi Government will supply all necessary assistance, providing men and means required by the Centre;
- b) the Iraqi Government shall permanently put at disposal of the Centre at least five experts in archaeology and maintenance of monuments as well as the necessary staff; salaries, and allowances are to be paid by the Directorate General of Antiquities;
- c) at the request of the Council, the Iraqi Government will pay all the expenses concerning transportation and travelling

allowances to both Iraqi and Italian staff. Office equipment, electricity and water supply, stationary and what is needed for the normal activity of the Centre are to be paid by the Directorate General of Antiquities of Iraq;

d) the Iraqi Government will grant the exemption from duties for the necessary materials imported by the Centre as well as the permit for the construction of the premises of the Centre in Baghdad and the purchase of the land necessary to this purpose;

e) the Iraqi Government will grant to the Italian experts, during their activity at the Centre, Fiscal and Customs duty exemption as well as income-tax exemption, as granted to the Italian Diplomats in Iraq.

Art.11- The restoration projects studied by the Centre will be put at the disposal of the competent Authorities, although remaining the property of the Centre. In case of execution of such projects the Council considers its duty to appoint the Director of Works chosen among the experts working at the Centre. The Director of Works will not receive any further remuneration.

Art.12- The Council could give its approval for the execution of projects which have not been studied directly by the Centre, the Director of Works could be chosen among the experts working at the Centre at the same conditions as in Art.11.

Art.13- For the purpose of scientific research, the Centre may avail itself of the cooperation of the Iraqi-Italian Institute of Archaeology.

Art.14- Any modification of the present by-law is to be proposed by the Council and approved by the Joint- Committee established under Art.1 of the Agreement for Cultural Cooperation between

Iraq and Italy.

Done in Baghdad on March 29th 1968 in Italian, Arabic and English. The text in English will prevail in case of divergency.

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