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Her Excellency Gabriela Cuevas Barron, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union

Ladies and gentlemen, Excellencies, presidents of parliaments and members of parliaments of countries of the world

His Excellency Mr. Martin Chungung, Secretary General of the Inter-Parliamentary Union

Representatives of international and regional organizations

All brothers and sisters

May Allah's peace, mercy and blessings be upon you

It is a good opportunity to meet in this alternative space, expressing our unlimited will for all circumstances for the sake of a joint international meeting and following up on concerns and issues of sensitivity and critical importance in light of a world full of challenges and difficulties, foremost of which is the Covid-19 pandemic and the great resulting health, economic and administrative repercussions that paralyzed the movement of the whole world and made us live totally isolated, starting with the mask that obliterated the smiles of loved ones and ending with the limited air travel of individuals between the continents and countries of the world, which prevented us from meeting in the capital Vienna.

Ladies and gentlemen

It is a pleasure for me to participate with you in the work of the Fifth International Conference of Speakers of Parliaments, with an effective organization and contribution by the Inter-Parliamentary Union for constructive deliberation for effective and real parliamentary movement that transcends stereotypes that were formed over centuries of the history of parliaments problems in the world to a realistic interaction deals with the peoples problems and bridges the relationships distinctively, through practicing parliamentary diplomacy and strengthening the friendly relations of our peoples, in order to contribute to achieving international harmony, love and peace among the nations of the world of all cultures, in a world

full of conflicts and competition, in which the aggressive spirit emerges and is expanding in a very disturbing way, specifically in areas of conflicts that are still bleeding till this hour causes serious violations of human rights, through displacement, ethnic discrimination, forced disappearance, trafficking in human beings and organs, deterioration of the standard of living, lawlessness, the control of uncontrolled weapons and the domination of organized gangs over the destinies and souls of vulnerable human groups.

Respected Excellencies

Today, we look forward to more cooperation and communication to support the legislations that would advance our world towards open participation to present a practical vision for sustainable development at the international level, not just in the country, as the depletion and waste of the world's capabilities has become a threat to the existence for the future generations, so everyone has to support all to do integrative action, its goal is to protect the world security and peace and to stop manipulators of the destinies of peoples, war merchants, and crisis makers.

Iraq has faced difficult conditions in the past stage and is still facing a real challenge in the context of achieving stability and strengthening the economy, and it is between the two pincers of corruption and terrorism, and the true friends stood with us in our crisis, and today we are about to cross this stage thanks to the free popular will that insists on correcting the mistakes that are made in the political path in the past stage, and Iraq today is preparing for early elections that we hope will contribute to the settlement and correction of past mistakes and establish a new phase in which the youth are the real actors.

I thank Her Excellency Gabriela Cuevas Barron, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, for the management and organization of the work of this conference, and I also thank all of my fellow parliament speakers for their real interaction and serious communication, wishing all success in their missions, peace, security, health and well-being for their peoples ...

May Allah's peace, mercy and blessings be upon you