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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Iraq to the United Nations presents its compliments to Mr. Martin Garcia Moritan/ Chair of Open-Ended Working Group on Ageing and in reference to his letter ENAUN 876 dated on 3 December 2018, has the honor to enclose herewith the responses of the respective authorities in the Government of the Republic of Iraq on the Guiding Questions enclosed with the letter aforementioned.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Iraq to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to Mr. Martin Garcia Moritan/ Chair of Open-Ended Working Group on Ageing the assurances of its highest consideration.

Attachment: Responses of (2) pages.



New York, 1 February 2019

**To:**  
**Mr. Martin Garcia Moritan/ Chair of Open-Ended Working Group on**  
**Ageing**  
**New York**

**Guiding Questions for the focus areas of the tenth Session of the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing: Education, training, life-long learning and capacity-building.**

**National Legal Framework:**

- 1- It is guaranteed through illiteracy Act No.23 in 2011 and the instructions related to implementing illiteracy Act no.1 on 30 April 2012.

**Availability, Accessibility and Adaptability:**

- 2- Lack of enough time for learning due to their several activities.
- 3- Programs encouraging life-long learning launched by the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific research.
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**Equality and Non-discrimination:**

- 5- There is a quality and non-discrimination according to illiteracy law no.23 in 2011, in relation to education in older age.

**Accountability:**

- 6- The mechanisms through the Directorate of Special Needs, Iraqi High Commission for Human rights, Inspector General Office, Ministerial Follow-up Committees, reporting directly to the respective Directorate, and other mechanisms.

**Guiding Questions: Social Protection and Social Security.**

**National Legal Framework:**

- 1- A- Retirement and Social Security Workers Act no.39 in 1971 with amendments.  
B- Social Protection Act no.11 in 2014.  
C- Commission of Persons with Disabilities and Special Needs Act no.38 in 2013.  
D- Nursing Home scheme no.4 in 1985.

**Availability:**

- 2-3 Everybody receives pension at the end of his services at the age of 60 (men) and 55 (women) with 20-year service according to Article (65) of Retirement and Social Security Act.

**Adequacy:**

4- Social Security salary is granted to everybody unable to work permanently and elderly people in the 60 years-old (men) and 55 years-old women. Also, free Nursing Homes are available to those excluded from their families with monthly pocket money, food, psycho and social services, Health insurance and recreational services.

**Accessibility:**

5-6 A- Through demographic trend.

B- Poverty data available at the Social Research Office.

C- An application prepared by the Commission of Social Protection in collaboration with the Ministry of Planning.

**Equality and non-discrimination:**

7- A- In accordance with Social Security Act, elderly persons are covered according to age, taking into consideration the services of the secured workers.

B- Inspection visits made by the Inspection Dept. in the Directorate of Employment and Loans.

C- Field visits to the families by mobile teams.

**Accountability:**

8- A- Mechanisms of social security: through Inspection Teams of Inspection Dept. in the Directorate of Employment and Loans.

B- Mechanisms of Social Protection: through IT Center since its data have been linked with the data base of Central Statistics Organization and other respective organs, according to Article 20, Law no.11 in 2014.

9- A- Judicial mechanisms: Filing a complaint in the Labor Court against employer.

B- non-judicial mechanisms: Exemption from fines due to payment delay of contributions if the employer was exposed to unforeseen circumstances because of security and other reasons.