

Biographical data form of candidates to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

Name (family name, first name): AL-BARRAK, SAWSAN

Nationality: Iraqi

Date and place of birth: 24 September 1960

Working languages: Arabic and English

Current position/function:

In my position as Assistance Director General of Monitoring Performance and Rights Protection, I am responsible of organizing and follow up the monitoring mechanism in addition to the intensive observation for the efforts of employee in gathering the information and facts finding and immediate function to the information that related to human rights which stated on in the two international economic and political covenants, aiming to specified the kind of job or the measure that must be taken to determinate and find out the gaps between the criterions that globally agreed upon and that stated through legislations(national)or between the local criterions and who to apply it actually.

Main professional activities¹:

- 1- Participate in preparing annual work plan of the ministry and supervising to implement work plan of Monitoring Performance and Rights Protection Directorate.
- 2- Follow up preparing the special reports by inspection groups and monitoring the violations of (right to work, Right to health, right to learn, right in housing, and other)
- 3- Representing the ministry in joint committees and memorandum with other ministries related to special women and people with special need rights.
- 4- Providing the consultation in projects of the laws amendments related to economic, social and cultural rights.
- 5- Preparing the official responding of local and international messages and the questioner comes to ministry in respect to rights (the child, the women, minorities, special needs people).
- 6- Participate with Iraqi universities and international organizations in preparing national strategy or preparing project to repair national legislations which focus against some persons or required amendments.
- 7- Representative of the ministry of human rights in membership of higher committee to protect the family in coordinating with UNDP.
- 8- Reprehensive of the ministry of human rights in the committee of preparing national strategy to fight the violence against the women and supporting by UNFPA.

Educational background:

- 1- B.Ac Degree in Law /College of law/Al-Turath University/ Baghdad/2011
- 2- B.Sc Degree in Chemical Engineering / University of Technology / Baghdad 1984

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women:

- 1- I am member of Iraqi Treaty Report Writing team to write Iraq report of CEDAW and UPR 2014

- 2- Supervisor and following up periodical national reports related to Convention on the Rights of the Child and Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict

List of most recent publications in the field of discrimination against women and advancement of their human rights:

- 1-prepare the annual report of the Iraqi women reality on 2009, 2010.
 - 2-research over the religious political struggle and it remains for Iraqi women rights.
 - 3-case report over the weakness of Iraqi women in elections.
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¹ It should be noted that membership in the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women requires participation in three annual sessions of three weeks duration, plus participation (on a rotating basis) in a pre-session working group of one week in respect of each session.