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The President

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Dear Dr Ziaee,

I would like to thank you for the steadfast support of the Red Crescent Society of the Islamic Republic of Iran in furthering the cooperation between the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the Iraqi Red Crescent Society.

The signing of the project agreement between the Iraqi Red Crescent and the ICRC on operational cooperation to meet the humanitarian needs of the Iraqi people arising from military operations in Ninewa, which took place in Baghdad on 21 August 2016, is a major achievement. It is also a milestone in the implementation of the Note of Mutual Understanding between the Iraqi Red Crescent and the ICRC, signed in Tehran in September 2015.

My colleagues in Iraq and Geneva recognize the critical role that Mr Mostafa Mohagheg played in concluding both these agreements. His careful preparation and skilful negotiation brought the talks to a successful conclusion.

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We trust that the signing of the project agreement will pave the way for further operational cooperation with the Iraqi Red Crescent Society. We remain convinced that working in partnership with the Iraqi Red Crescent is the best way to meet the humanitarian needs generated by the ongoing conflict.

Your organization's dedication to improving the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement's humanitarian response for the people of Iraq is commendable. It is also a reflection of the strong strategic partnership between the Iranian Red Crescent and the ICRC, whereby we work together towards common goals.

We look forward to developing our partnership further and to seeing positive developments in Iraq.

Please accept my sincere gratitude for your support in this matter.

Yours truly,


Peter Maurer