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THE UNITED NATIONS ISSUES OFFICIAL FORMS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST IRAQ ARISING FROM THE GULF WAR

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Barbara McDougall, today announced that the United Nations Compensation Commission has issued the first series of official forms for claims against the Government of Iraq for losses arising from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. The Commission has divided individual claims into the following categories:

Form A:

Individual claims for losses and damages suffered as a result of departure from Iraq or Kuwait between August 2, 1990, and March 2, 1991, of a fixed sum of US\$2,500 (or US\$4,000 if the claimant is not going to make a claim in any other category);

Form B:

Individual claims for serious personal injury or the loss of a family member, of a fixed sum of US\$2,500; and

Form C:

Individual claims up to US\$100,000 per person, comprising:

individual claims in excess of US\$2,500 for claims described in categories A and B;