

WITH THANKS AND CONGRATULATIONS...

The Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) and the people of Iraqi Kurdistan offer our deep and sincere congratulations to President Barack Obama and Vice President Joe Biden on this historic day. The KRG remains America's best and most proven ally in support of a secular, democratic, and federal Iraq and we look forward to a relationship that should intensify and deepen in the coming year.

Since 1991 the people of Iraqi Kurdistan have lived the dream of democracy and freedom. We could not have done this without our friends in the United States, who believed in us and whose determined support has given us our own new birth of freedom. We continue to build a pluralistic democracy in the model of the United States, where all have freedoms of religion, speech, press and equal opportunity

We thank all Americans and extend our hand as a friend and ally in efforts to defeat terrorism and honor the trust you have placed in us. We stand ready to forge a long, close relationship to achieve our shared goals for Iraq and the world



