



**Dr. Mohammed H. Hamoud**  
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**International Tribunal of the Law of the Sea**

**Iraq's candidate for the elections to the  
International Tribunal of the Law of the Sea**

Dr. Mohammed H. Hamoud is a highly regarded Iraqi legal expert and diplomat, well known for his long international experience. He currently serves at Iraq's Ministry of Foreign Affairs as Legal Affairs Advisor for International Affairs and Law of the Sea. Dr. Hamoud holds a Bachelor of Law degree from Baghdad University, a postgraduate diploma as well as a PhD in public law from the University of Montpellier, France and a diploma from the Hague Academy for International Law. Dr. Hamoud is fluent in Arabic, French and English. He is married and has three daughters.

Since 1959, Dr. Hamoud has built a notable career as attorney, professor, ambassador and undersecretary. He has published research work on topics ranging from the legal system of navigation in the Strait of Hormuz, to the right of access to the seas by landlocked countries to Apartheid and international law. One of his books has been adopted as part of the law curriculum at leading Arab universities. His research work in international law has also been published in renowned legal periodicals.

Dr. Hamoud has represented Iraq at the Third Law of the Sea Conference, serving as the Chairman of the Arab League Drafting Committee and as member of the Main Drafting Committee of the Law of the Sea Conference.

He was part of the Iraqi delegation to the International Seabed Committee in Jamaica, and served as vice-chairman for the Committee.

He also served as Chairman of the Legal Committee of the Arab League, and as member of the Committee on the Amendment of the League and the Charter of the Arab International Court of Justice.

FROM 2004 TO 2010, Dr. Hamoud was the Undersecretary for Legal, International Organizations and Human Rights Affairs at Iraq's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and, as such, has had many activities at the United Nations General Assembly and Security Council. He was also appointed member of the International Court of Arbitration at the Hague.

Ambassador Mohammed Hussain Bahr Al-Uloom, Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations, thanks you on his behalf and on behalf of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Iraq, for the attention and support that you will kindly grant this to this matter.