Iraq Weekly Status Report

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This report provides weekly updates in the eight key areas identified as pillars of US government policy in Iraq.

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Highlights

1. **Defeat the Terrorists and Neutralize the Insurgents**
   • Approximately 1,000 Iraqi Army soldiers and 2,500 Coalition Forces began a new phase of Operation Steel Curtain by entering the town of Ubaydi, near the Iraq-Syria border. The offensive is part of Operation Hunter, designed to deny al-Qaeda in Iraq the ability to operate in the Euphrates River Valley and to establish a substantial Iraqi and Coalition security presence along the Syrian border.

2. **Transition Iraq to Security Self-Reliance**
   • The Iraqi Police Service graduated 64 police officers from advanced and specialized courses at the Baghdad Police College on November 10.

3. **Help Iraqis to Forge a National Compact for Democratic Government**
   • Sunni engagement in Iraq's political process is one important sign of the nation's strengthening democracy, which ultimately will spell defeat for violent extremists, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice declared in series of interviews in Baghdad with US and Arab news media November 11.

4. **Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services**
   • Construction is complete on a water network project that will benefit the 3,000 residents of Al Ameen, Baghdad Province. The $579,000 project was funded by the US military’s Commander’s Emergency Response Program.
5. Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy
• Leaders from 12 business associations recently met to lay the foundation for the Iraqi Business Association Alliance, a new organization that will promote the interests of business people and industrialists throughout Iraq.

6. Help Iraq Strengthen the Rule of Law
• The second UN Report on Human Rights states that, “The United Nations will continue to assist the Government of Iraq in its attempts to foster a culture based on the rule of law and respect of human rights.”

7. Increase International Support for Iraq
• Following a meeting with Secretary Rice in Jeddah on November 12, Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal pledged to contribute $1 billion to Iraq reconstruction.

8. Strengthen Public Understanding of Coalition Efforts and Public Isolation of the Insurgents
• The new Iraqi media monitoring organization, Mirat, was officially launched for the December election. Mirat began preparing and sending notification letters to the media to announce the launch of its media monitoring activities.
Defeat the Terrorists and Neutralize the Insurgency

Operation Steel Curtain:
- Approximately 1,000 Iraqi Army soldiers and 2,500 Coalition Forces began a new phase of Operation Steel Curtain by entering the town of Ubaydi, near the Iraq-Syria border. The offensive is part of Operation Hunter, designed to deny al Qaeda in Iraq the ability to operate in the Euphrates River Valley and to establish a substantial Iraqi and Coalition security presence along the Syrian border. The towns of Qusaybah and Karabilah were cleared earlier in the operation and a permanent security presence has been established. By eliminating terrorist influence in and around Ubaydi, Coalition and Iraqi security forces are providing a safe and secure environment for the Iraqi people to vote in the December 15 national elections.

Coalition Forces Capture High Level Ba’ath Party Leader:
- Coalition Forces captured Hamid Sharki Shadid, the leader of the New Ba’ath Party in Diyala Province, during a patrol November 9. Shadid is a former member of the Ba’ath Party in Diyala Province and is suspected of being responsible for Anti-Iraqi Forces and Ba’ath Party activities in that area.

Iraqi Security Forces Update:
• The Iraqi Police Service graduated 64 police officers from advanced and specialized courses at the Baghdad Police College November 10. The courses consisted of Interview and Interrogation with 23 graduates, Violent Crime Investigation with 28 graduates and Criminal Intelligence with 13 graduates. The graduating police officers will return to their respective local stations for duty.

New Iraqi Highway Patrol (IHP) Training Academy:
• Efforts to train and develop the IHP were boosted with the November 9 opening of the new IHP Academy in Taji, Iraq. The new facility is designed to double the student capacity at the training site. The IHP will focus on highway and major roadway security to ensure the safety of Iraqi citizens, international visitors and the free flow of national and international commerce. There are currently 1,551 trained and equipped officers in a force that will grow to nearly 6,300.

Data as of November 16, 2005

**Ministry of Interior Forces**

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<th>COMPONENT</th>
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<td>POLICE</td>
<td>~74,800</td>
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<td>HIGHWAY PATROL</td>
<td>~37,400</td>
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<td>OTHER MOI FORCES</td>
<td>~37,400</td>
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<td>TOTAL</td>
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**Ministry of Defense Forces**

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<td>AIR FORCE</td>
<td>~200</td>
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<td>NAVY</td>
<td>~700</td>
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<td>TOTAL</td>
<td>~99,500**</td>
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**Total Trained & Equipped ISF:**

~211,700

* Ministry of Interior Forces: Unauthorized absence personnel are included in these numbers

** Ministry of Defense Forces: Unauthorized absence personnel are not included in these numbers
[3.] Help Iraqis to Forge a National Compact for Democratic Government– Developments

Election Training Continues:
• Last week, the National Democratic Institute (NDI) trained 331 political party members through 14 different workshops in Erbil, Baghdad, Hillah and Basrah. Between November 7 and 10, NDI conducted four candidate training workshops in Hillah and Basrah for 58 candidates representing 12 different political parties. After reviewing basic elements of campaign planning, message development, voter outreach activities and the role of candidates, participants engaged in a variety of practical public speaking and media activities to help them develop essential communication skills.

Arab League Meeting:
• The Arab League has invited about 100 Iraqi leaders to a weekend meeting in Cairo to prepare for an Iraqi reconciliation conference, including possibly some former members of the Baath Party. The reconciliation conference, which would be held in Iraq early next year, is aimed at persuading Iraq's Sunni Arab minority to join the political process and work with the country's Shiite Muslims and Kurds.
[3.] Help Iraqis to Forge a National Compact for Democratic Government—**Electoral Process Timeline**

- **Jan 30** Election Day
- **February** Results Announced
- **Mar 16** TNA Seated
- **May 4** ITG Sworn in
- **Aug 22** Extension deadline for drafting of Constitution
- **Drafting of Constitution**
- **Oct 15** National Referendum on Constitution
- **Dec 15** National Elections for Government under the Constitution
### [3.] Help Iraqis to Forge a National Compact for Democratic Government - Iraqi Transitional Government

#### President
- Jalal Talabani

#### Deputy President
- ‘Adil ‘Abd al-Mahdi

#### Deputy Prime Minister
- Rawsh Shaways
- ‘Abd Mutlak al-Juburi
- ‘Abd al-Latif Rashid

#### Prime Minister
- Ibrahim al-Ja’fari

#### Deputy Prime Minister
- Ahmad al-Chalabi
- Vacant

#### Ministers
- **Minister of Agriculture**
  - Ali al-Bahadili

- **Minister of Communications**
  - Juwan Fu’ad Ma’sum (F)

- **Minister of Culture**
  - Nuri al-Rawi

- **Minister of Defense**
  - Sa’dun al-Dulaymi

- **Minister of Displacement & Migration**
  - Suhayla al-Kinani (F)

- **Minister of Electricity**
  - Muhsin Shalash

- **Minister of Education**
  - Abdul Mun‘im al-Falah Hasan

- **Minister of Environment**
  - Harmin ‘Uthman (F)

- **Minister of Finance**
  - ‘Ali ‘Allawi

- **Minister of Foreign Affairs**
  - Hoshyar Zebari

- **Minister of Health**
  - Abd al-Muttalib al-Rubay‘i

- **Minister of Higher Education**
  - Sami al-Muzaffar

- **Minister of Human Rights**
  - Vacant

- **Minister of Industry & Minerals**
  - Usama al-Najafi

- **Minister of Interior**
  - Bayan Jabr

- **Minister of Justice**
  - ‘Abd al-Husayn Shandal

- **Minister of Housing & Construction**
  - Jasim Ja’far

- **Minister of Labor & Social Affairs**
  - Idris Hadi

- **Minister of Oil**
  - Ibrahim Bahr al-‘Ulum

- **Minister of Planning**
  - Barham Salih

- **Minister of Trade**
  - ‘Abd al-‘Basit Mawlud

- **Minister of Science & Technology**
  - Basima Butrus (F)

- **Minister of Municipalities & Public Works**
  - Nasreen Berwari (F)

- **Minister of State for National Security Affairs**
  - ‘Abd al-Karim al-‘Anzi

- **Minister of State for Water Resources**
  - ‘Abd al-Latif Rashid

- **Minister of State for Agriculture**
  - Ali al-Bahadili

- **Minister of State for Culture**
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(F) = Female
With average temperature dropping to the low 60s°F, electricity demand increased approximately eight percent in the last week (November 8-14).

Scheduled seasonal maintenance is ongoing at power plants, resulting in decreased generation. The average daily electricity service for the week remained 91,000 MegaWatt hours.

Baghdad average available electricity increased slightly to 10.9 hours per day. The national average was 14.3 hours per day.
[4.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – **Electricity, Water and Sanitation**

**Electricity:**
- Under the Rapid Contracting Initiative (RCI), the US Project and Contracting Office (PCO) Electricity Sector has awarded nearly 200 of a total of 250 projects. To date, close to 60 projects have been completed. RCI focuses on direct contracting of smaller projects such as 11 to 33 kilovolt substations, laying of power cables, installation of power poles and running of overhead power lines. Benefits of this program include reduced security costs, enhanced Iraqi project ownership, increased Iraqi employment, contracting opportunities for local firms and quicker completion time of projects.

**Water and Sanitation:**
- USAID and UNICEF are continuing work to improve the water and environmental sanitation facilities in Iraqi schools. The rehabilitation of water and sanitation facilities in 368 schools has been completed, while rehabilitation of an additional 178 schools is currently ongoing. Some further 206 schools are in the solicitation and bidding phase.
- PCO has completed 96 water treatment projects to date and has 105 more in progress. Under the Accelerated Iraqi Reconstruction Program, 51 water treatment projects have been completed and four more are under construction.
Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – Health Care, Telecommunication and Education

Health Care:
- Following the recent drafting of a national strategy and guidelines on infant and young child feeding (IYCF) for Iraq and leveraging USAID grant funds, UNICEF is assisting the Ministry of Health (MoH) to lead a series of consultative and consensus building activities around the country. Meetings will be used to discuss the draft strategy with policymakers, health professionals and stakeholders to ensure the strategy effectively responds to current needs. The Iraqi national strategy, adapted from the Global IYCF Strategy outlined by the World Health Organization (WHO), will serve as a guide for action in the areas of feeding of infants and young children, complementary feeding, management of undernourished children, reduction of micronutrient deficiencies and approaches to addressing women’s increased nutrient needs during pregnancy and lactation. After consultation meetings are completed during the next few months, the strategy will be finalized and endorsed by the MoH and implemented nationwide in cooperation with other concerned ministries.

Telecommunications:
- There are 4.8 million mobile phone subscribers in Iraq. The National Communications and Media Commission will soon issue a request for proposal for wireless local loop services, which will further increase the penetration of telecommunication services in Iraq.
[4.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services—**Education and Transportation**

**Education:**

- USAID partners have provided intermediate level computer training courses for over 735 government staff members. Over 75 of these training courses for staff from the Ministry of Education (MoE) have already been held as part of the capacity building and computer literacy project. By the end of the year, 1,000 members of the MoE staff will have received intermediate level computer training. Once completed, phase III of the training will start.

- Over 14,000 students will be enrolled in the Accelerated Learning Program (ALP) during the 2005-06 academic year in central and southern Iraq. While rural area projects typically lack local support, especially for female education, local communities and the local MoE directorates conveyed great enthusiasm for this project. The program will soon be expanded to northern Iraq. Local directorates in both Arbil and Sulaymaniyah have agreed to open ALP centers for 1,000 children in each of the two provinces this month. Kurdish versions of the textbooks have been delivered to a printing press for printing.

**Transportation:**

- Global Risk Strategies, a private security firm, continues to provide security services at Baghdad International Airport and is negotiating payments with the Ministry of Transportation.
### 4. Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – Financials from Iraq Relief and Reconstruction Fund (IRRF) 1 and IRRF 2

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<td>2007 Report</td>
<td>2007 Report</td>
<td>Last Week</td>
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<td>144.4</td>
<td>147.5</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>18,439.0000</strong></td>
<td><strong>17863.9</strong></td>
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<td><strong>17,118.1</strong></td>
<td>(37.89)</td>
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<td>IRRF 2 Construction</td>
<td>9,365.7</td>
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<td>30.29</td>
<td>29.74</td>
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<td>3.79</td>
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<td>19,629.3</td>
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As of November 16, 2005
[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Oil Update and Job Creation

Oil Update:

• Crude oil prices in world markets for the week ending November 11 closed with the following prices:
  – Basra Light at $47.94/barrel
  – Dated Brent at $56.74/barrel
  – WTI Cushing at $58.69/barrel
  – Oman/Dubai at $52.53/barrel
  – Kirkuk Crude at $50.18/barrel

Employment Update:

• The following chart shows the number of Iraqis employed by USG-administered projects:

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<th>Employing Organization</th>
<th>Iraqis Last Week</th>
<th>Iraqis This Week</th>
<th>% Increase on Week</th>
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<tr>
<td>PCO (Project and Contracting Office)</td>
<td>29,454</td>
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<td>USAID</td>
<td>55,914</td>
<td>57,977</td>
<td>3.7%</td>
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<tr>
<td>AIRP (Accelerated Iraqi Reconstruction Program)</td>
<td>1,327</td>
<td>1,327</td>
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<tr>
<td>MILCON (Military Construction)</td>
<td>141</td>
<td>141</td>
<td>0.0%</td>
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<td>CERP (Commanders’ Emergency Response Program)</td>
<td>23,706</td>
<td>23,706</td>
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<td>MNSTC-I</td>
<td>19,338</td>
<td>15,056</td>
<td>-22.1%</td>
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<td>IRRF NON-CONSTRUCTION</td>
<td>13,118</td>
<td>13,118</td>
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<td><strong>GRAND TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>142,998</strong></td>
<td><strong>140,779</strong></td>
<td><strong>-1.6%</strong></td>
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*CERP numbers are from the latest GRD Situation Report
[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy - Banking Sector

Central Bank’s US Dollar (USD) Currency Auction:

- The following table shows volume sold and exchange rates for USD in the Iraqi currency auction from July 1 through November 15. The exchange rate remained stable this week ending at 1,475 dinars per USD on November 15.

**Central Bank of Iraq**

**USD Currency Auction: July 4 - November 15**

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<th>Date</th>
<th>Volume Sold (Millions)</th>
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<td>17-Jun</td>
<td></td>
<td>1,469</td>
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<td>7-Jul</td>
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<td>1,475</td>
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<td>27-Jul</td>
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<td>1,478</td>
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<td>16-Aug</td>
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<td>15-Oct</td>
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<td>4-Nov</td>
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<td>24-Nov</td>
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$15 $25 $35 $45 $55 $65 $75

USD

Millions

17-Jun 7-Jul 27-Jul 16-Aug 5-Sep 25-Sep 15-Oct 4-Nov 24-Nov
[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy

**Iraqi Business Association Alliance Established to Promote Private Sector:**

- Leaders from 12 business associations recently met to lay the foundation for the Iraqi Business Association Alliance, a new organization that will promote the interests of business people and industrialists throughout Iraq. The USAID Izdihar project is providing technical and funding support to develop this new business group.

- Members of the new alliance have agreed to work together to serve as a strong advocate for Iraqi businesses, to lobby for government measures that will stimulate economic growth and to educate businesses on how to fight government corruption that hinders progress and slows down the creation of new jobs.

**Seminar on Microfinance Loans and Business Development:**

- 40 small business owners attended a seminar on microfinance loans and Iraq business plan development during the week of November 11. Led by the USAID Izdihar project, in coordination with the Multi-National Force–Iraq (MNF-I) and the local chamber of commerce, this groundbreaking event was an important first step on the path of economic development for small businesses.
[5.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – *Crude Oil Production*

**MOO Goal:** 2.5 Millions Barrels per Day (MBPD)

- Weekly Average (November 7-13) of 1.80 MBPD
- Pre-War Peak: 2.5 MBPD in March 2003
- Post-War Peak: 2.67 MBPD
[5.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – Crude Oil Export

- 2003 Revenue: $5,076.6 Millions (M)
- 2004 Revenue: $17,012.3 M
- 2005 Revenue: $20,816.3 M (cumulative for 2005)
November 16, 2005

[5.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – Refined Products

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<td>Diesel</td>
<td>49%</td>
<td>37%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Kerosene</td>
<td>25%</td>
<td>34%</td>
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<td>Gasoline</td>
<td>46%</td>
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<td>LPG</td>
<td>45%</td>
<td>91%</td>
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Note: This chart represents the average percentage of daily target reached for the week of November 7-13.

- Diesel: 15.6 ML* of 18 ML
- Kerosene: 7.4 ML of 12.8 ML
- Gasoline: 19.1 ML of 18 ML
- LPG: 5,287 tons of 4,300 tons

*ML=Millions of Liters
The goal is to have on hand 15 days supply of all refined products, calculated on the basis of maximum consumption over the year and not adjusted for seasonal variation. The numbers given above are monthly averages.
[6.] Help Iraq Strengthen the Rule of Law and Promote Civil Rights – Iraqi Judicial System

UN Expresses Its Support for the Rule of Law Working Group in Iraq:

- The second UN Report on Human Rights states that, “The United Nations will continue to assist the Government of Iraq in its attempts to foster a culture based on the rule of law and respect of human rights. [The UN Assistance Mission Iraq (UNAMI)] is encouraged by the launching of a rule of law sectoral working group by the Ministry of Planning on October 18. The working group, which will be chaired by the Chief Justice, will coordinate all efforts by various Iraqi ministries and donors, including the United Nations, to ensure that technical assistance programs are translated in an improved rule of law situation in the country. Civil society organizations will be also involved in this process.”

SRSG Condemns Attacks Against Defense Lawyers of the IST:

- On November 10, the UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General in Iraq (SRSG), Ashraf Qazi, condemned the brutal attack against two defense lawyers to the Special Iraqi Criminal Tribunal. The attack resulted in the assassination of defense lawyer Adel Mohammed al-Zubeidi and the wounding of his colleague, Thamer Hammoud Hadi. The assault is the second since the trial started. Saadun al- Janabi, another defense lawyer, was kidnapped and executed by his kidnappers on October 20.
Help Iraq Strengthen the Rule of Law and Promote Civil Rights – Iraqi Judicial System

Justice Sector Reform:

- Representatives of the Department of State International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Bureau’s Iraq Justice Integration Project are developing a National Consultation Workshop on Justice Integration in Iraq. The National Consultation will take place in early 2006 and will bring together leading actors from the diverse constituencies that comprise the Iraqi justice sector to gather recommendations for further reform of the justice sector and to increase collaboration between the implementers of justice reform.
[7.] Increase International Support for Iraq – Developments

UN Secretary General in Baghdad to express solidarity with Iraq:
• UN Secretary General Kofi Annan arrived in Iraq on November 12 for a one-day visit to Baghdad to meet with the staff of the UN Assistance Mission in Iraq (UNAMI) and with a number of Iraqi leaders. In a town hall meeting with national and international UN staff, Secretary General Annan expressed his solidarity and the thanks of the UN for the crucial work the UNAMI staff is doing in assisting the Iraqi people during this period of political transition and reconstruction.

Top UN Envoy for Iraq meets Jordanian Prime Minister:
• During his November 15 meeting with Jordanian Prime Minister Adnan Badran, the UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Iraq (SRSG), Ashraf Qazi, expressed his sincere condolences and deep sympathy for the tragic loss of life perpetrated by terrorists against innocent civilians in Amman. The SRSG said that these heinous attacks underscore the urgency in bringing back peace and stability in Iraq. The SRSG briefed Prime Minister Badran on the latest developments in Iraq, including the visit of UN Secretary General Kofi Annan to Baghdad last Saturday. He also discussed with the Prime Minister the upcoming preparatory meeting organized in Cairo under the auspices of the Arab League to explore the means for national reconciliation.
[7.] Increase International Support for Iraq – Developments

NATO Support for Iraq:
• The arrival of dozens of T-72 tanks from Hungary this week infused “new blood” into the Iraqi Army’s 9th Mechanized Division. The equipment delivery is an important event for both the Iraqi Army and NATO. Along with the September re-opening of the Iraqi Joint Staff College at Ar Rustamiyah, this provision of equipment is a leading indicator of NATO’s support for the continued development of Iraqi security forces.
28 Multi-National Forces – Iraq (MNF-I) Contributors (in addition to US)

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TOTAL ~ 23,000 Forces

*Note: Fiji participating as a part of the UN mission in Iraq.

29 Countries and NATO (including US) Support Iraqi Stability Operations
Iraq Progressing Toward Democracy, Rice Affirms in Baghdad:

- Sunni engagement in Iraq's political process is one important sign of the nation's strengthening democracy, which ultimately will spell defeat for violent extremists, US Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice declared in series of interviews in Baghdad with US and Arab news media November 11.

- Speaking to Al-Iraqiya television, Secretary Rice said what the terrorists fear most is a "Middle East in which their ideology of hatred will no longer thrive ... when Iraq claims its place as a democratic and stable country, where Iraqis are able to overcome their differences through democratic processes."

- In an NBC interview, Secretary Rice said, "I think the Sunnis are now really getting integrated into the political process and that's a primary change."

- Secretary Rice denied the US presence in Iraq had increased the level of terrorism or caused it to be "exported" to other nations. On the contrary, the Secretary said on CNN, "What Zarqawi and his kind are most afraid of is that democratic forces will take hold in Iraq."

Florida City Links with Iraqi Firefighters:

- Kissimee, Florida is in the process of becoming a “Sister City” to Rusafa, Iraq, particularly its fire department. The Iraqi firefighters have also received training aids from Fort Wayne, Indiana firefighters.
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- POC Tom Gramaglia, (202) 736-4065
- The chart shows average daily power production in megawatt hours (MWh). 120,000 MWh goal equates to 20 hours at 6000 MW average supplied load or 24 hours at 5000 MW average supply load. Currently supplies are not much improved over last year when judged by hours of power, but this is due in part to an influx of new appliances. This has dramatically altered demand and diluted the effect of increased generation capacity on actual results.

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- NOTE: Production dropped in the south due to tankers unable to dock at the oil terminals due to bad weather and southern storage facilities are at full capacity. With no where to send the crude, field managers have lessened output. As of Monday, the weather cleared and the situation should return to normal in a matter of days.
- Iraq Petroleum Sector Facts:
  - There are three main refineries in Iraq: Bayji (North), Daura (Baghdad), and Basra (South).
  - There are several minor refineries (known as topping plants) dotted through the country: Kisik (Mosul), Qarrayah, Haditha, Tikrit, Nassiriyah, Maysan (Amarah), and Samawah. These primarily produce asphalt and low grade kerosene and diesel.
  - The majority of Iraq’s oil infrastructure is antiquated and in need of modernization.
  - Domestically produced refined products (gasoline/benzene, diesel, kerosene, LPG) currently do not meet domestic demand because of sabotage to the pipeline infrastructure. Iraq will be dependent upon imports until the insurgents cease operations against oil pipelines.

Slide 20:
- For the 2004 revenue, this already deducts the 5% war reparations to Kuwait. If included in revenue, the total would be $17.5B.
- June 2005 increased once Northern Export data was processed into the calculation.
- Al-Faw Terminals: Al-Basra Oil Terminal (ABOT) and Khor al-Amaya Oil Terminal (KAOT)
  - Production and export are at normal rates.
- Iraq-Turkey Pipeline (IT)
  - The IT line works intermittently since the Iraqis sell the crude oil in lumps.
- Iraq-Syria-Lebanon Pipeline (ISLP)
  - This line has been closed since 2003.
  - Discussions were held between Iraqi and Syrian government officials, but no timetable has been set up to reopen this line.
  - In the meantime, Iraq has set up a barter arrangement in which it exports 14KBPD from the Ayn Zalah field to Syria for refined products and electrical production. This ended in August 2004.
- Iraq Pipeline through Saudi Arabia (IPSA)
  - This line has been closed since 1991. There are no plans to reopen this line.
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