Iraq Weekly Status Report
# Table of Contents

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>SECTION</th>
<th>SLIDE(S)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>1.0 Highlights</strong></td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>2.0 Political Affairs</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2.1 Governance</td>
<td>4-7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>3.0 Economic Affairs</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3.1 Economy</td>
<td>8-10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3.2 Essential Services</td>
<td>11-15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3.3 Oil and Power</td>
<td>16-21</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>4.0 Reconstruction</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4.1 IRRF Financial Status</td>
<td>22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>5.0 Security</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5.1 Security and Stability</td>
<td>23-24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>6.0 General Information</strong></td>
<td>25</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Highlights

Political/Governance

National Elections:

• The voter education campaign conducted by the Independent Electoral Commission of Iraq (IECI) and planning for Iraq's national elections in January continued to advance this week with voter registration scheduled to begin November 1.

Economic/Essential Services

One-Year Anniversary of New Iraqi Dinar:

• The one-year anniversary of the New Iraqi Dinar (NID) was celebrated the week of October 22. Since the NID’s introduction, exchange rates have remained stable.

Global Effort to Eradicate Polio:

• During the first three days of the five-day polio eradication campaign, 70% of the 4.7 million children to be immunized had been vaccinated.
Governance – Iraq Elections Timeline

**2004**

- **01 Jun**: Iraqi Interim Government (IIG) Announced and Governing Council dissolved
- **04 Jun**: Election Commission established
- **28 Jun**: Transfer sovereignty from CPA to IIG
- **15 Aug**: National Conference convenes and selects Interim National Council

**2005**

- **31 Jan**: Elections for the National Assembly complete: NLT 31 Jan 05

**Phase I (Interim Government)**

**Phase II (Elected Government)**

- **Early 05**: Iraqi Transitional Government takes power
- **15 Aug**: National Assembly completes draft of permanent constitution
- **15 Oct**: Referendum for permanent constitution
- **15 Dec**: Elections for government completed
- **31 Dec**: Elected government assumes office
Governance – Developments

Planning Iraq Elections Continues:
• The Independent Electoral Commission of Iraq (IECI) is moving ahead with preparations for January elections and has begun to distribute informational pamphlets on voter registration procedures.

Baghdad Governorate Council:
• The Baghdad Governorate Council plans to set up a national elections committee to educate citizens on the January elections.

Women’s Role in the Elections:
• The Local Governance Program (LGP) recently supported two workshops that covered many of the current challenges faced by Iraq’s local governments from the perspective of women. Eleven female members of Baghdad district councils and Iraqi NGOs attended the workshops.
Governance – Developments

Iraq Removed from List of State Sponsors of Terror:
• The US has officially removed Iraq from the list of state sponsors of terrorism to reflect the country’s fundamental changes in leadership and policies, as well as to show support for Iraq's Interim Government (IIG). Iraq was first placed on the list in September 1990.

Iraqis Abroad Voting Rights:
• The Iraqi Foreign Ministry is considering whether or not Iraqis living outside of Iraq will be able to vote in the upcoming national election.
Capacity Building:

- USAID continues to implement Local Governance Programs (LGPs) in 18 governorates, increasing Iraqis’ understanding of democratic principles and the political process.
  - Forty-two local government representatives from Dahuk participated in a LGP sponsored management training project. Participants included officials from the Ministries of Agriculture and Construction, the Governor’s office and the local university. Workshops included topics such as leadership skills and managerial skills.

- The State Department is promoting capacity building and democracy through US-based programs for Iraqis.
  - “Public Affairs: The Art of Engaging and Informing the People” International Visitor Program (October 16 – November 6): The nine-person group coming from various Iraqi ministries, the Prime Minister’s office and the Baghdad City Council will be receiving extensive hands-on training at the State Department and at other agencies on the public affairs function.
  - “Elections” International Visitor Program (October 23 – November 13): The six person group of Iraqi journalists and NGO leaders will observe the US electoral process up close, before, during and immediately after the November elections.
Oil Update:
- Crude Oil prices in world markets for the week ending 22 October closed with Kirkuk Crude at $40.73/barrel, Basra Light at $43.79/barrel, and the OPEC basket at $45.89/barrel.

Employment Update:
Number of Iraqis employed by USG-administered projects in each sector

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sector</th>
<th>Iraqis last week</th>
<th>Iraqis this week</th>
<th>% Increase on week</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Buildings, Health &amp; Education</td>
<td>4,680</td>
<td>5,855</td>
<td>25.1%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Electricity</td>
<td>2,707 *</td>
<td>2,373</td>
<td>-12.3%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Oil</td>
<td>408</td>
<td>191</td>
<td>-53.2%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Public Works &amp; Water</td>
<td>323</td>
<td>423</td>
<td>31.0%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Security &amp; Justice</td>
<td>6,020</td>
<td>6,500</td>
<td>8.0%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Transportation &amp; Communications</td>
<td>895</td>
<td>913</td>
<td>2.0%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PCO Office Staff</td>
<td>149</td>
<td>146</td>
<td>-2.0%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AIRP</td>
<td>13,400</td>
<td>13,320</td>
<td>-0.6%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

PCO Weekly Survey TOTAL          28,582  29,721  4.0%

USAID                 51,680  37,142  -28.1%

MILCON TOTAL          661   989   49.6%

GRAND TOTAL          80,923  67,852  -16.2%

Data as of 22 Oct 04

* last week’s reported Electricity number (3,477) included USAID labor
Economy (cont.)

Iraq Securities Exchanges:

• At the New Iraqi Dinar (NID) auction on October 26, the settlement price was 1,460 dinars per USD. A total of 16 banks traded.

• The Ministry of Finance auctioned ID 150 billion (about $102.7 million) in T-Bills on October 25; the settlement yield was 2.5 percent.

U.S. Treasury Marks One-Year Anniversary of New Iraqi Dinar:

• After one year of the New Iraqi Dinar in circulation, the exchange rate has remained steady, price stability has been restored, and economic growth this year is 50 percent, one of the highest rates in the world.

• Demand for the new currency has been strong. The Iraqi government has earned $5 billion in seignorage (the capital gain generated by the creation of reserve money) during the past year.
Economic Development

Rebuild Iraq Expo:

• The 2nd International Trade Exhibition for the Rebuilding of Iraq Expo will be held April 4-7, 2005 in Amman, Jordan. Last year’s exhibition attracted more than 1,400 exhibitors targeting key Iraqi economic sectors, from 48 countries.

• “Rebuild Iraq 2005” will give international buyers, manufacturers, suppliers and contractors direct access to Iraqi project directors, government bodies and a variety of decision-makers involved in the economic rebirth of Iraq. Exhibitors will also be able to meet and appoint Iraqi, Jordanian, and other Middle East agents and distributors during the show.
Essential Services – Water and Sanitation

Water Treatment Projects:
• Current estimates indicate that approximately 40% of the Iraqi population is served by potable water.
• The PCO currently has 648,000 cubic meters of water treatment capacity under construction, and completed the rehabilitation of two water treatment plants in Baghdad last week.
• USAID-sponsored repairs at a major At’ Tamim Governorate water treatment plant are 50% complete; repair work is employing 124 Iraqis.

Wastewater Treatment Projects:
• A recently completed USAID sewer repair project in Al Basrah will improve wastewater disposal, reduce flooding, and contribute to the improvement of public health in the area.
  – The work covered repairs to 17 pumping stations, cleaning and repairs for approximately 330 kilometers of pipe, and improved the safety of many streets.
  – The work completed on the sewerage network will provide a level of functionality that allows unrestricted flow of sewage and storm water. This project collectively employed over 330 local workers in the Basrah area.
Public Distribution System (PDS) and MOT-Awarded Contracts:

- Embassy officials have received 94 contracts under MOT II, including pulses, tea, infant formula, vegetable oil/ghee, infant cereals and adult milk, which have been compiled into a new draft pipeline report that will be used to track those shipments.

- The Ministry of Trade sent a special team to Beirut, Lebanon last week to work on immediate funding of 20 contracts (which include sugar, infant formula, baby food, adult milk, soap and lentils) that were identified for immediate delivery, and the remaining 78 contracts under MOT II. Of those contracts, 45 L/Cs have been issued and the Ministry of Trade plans to complete the remaining 56 L/Cs this week.

- MOT plans to begin tendering, awarding contracts, and funding L/Cs, for commodities for MOT III during the first quarter of 2005.
Essential Services – Health Care

Global Effort to Eradicate Polio in Iraq:

• The worldwide effort, that began in 1988, is now close to realizing its goal of a polio-free world. The polio eradication campaign has been the largest non-military, global enterprise ever, involving dozens of organizations, scores of Governments and thousands of health workers worldwide.

• USAID, though its implementation partners UNICEF and the World Health Organization, in conjunction with Iraq’s Ministry of Health, launched a polio immunization campaign throughout Iraq in September.

• During the first three days of the five-day campaign, the Ministry of Health reported that 70 percent of the 4.7 million children to be immunized had been reached and vaccinated.

Current Construction Projects:

• Construction has commenced on 12 new primary health care facilities.

• Renovation of the Najaf Teaching Hospital is 50% complete and scheduled to open on December 1.
Essential Services – Education

USAID’s HEAD Program:
• USAID’s Higher Education and Development (HEAD) program began in late September and continues to install equipment to provide internet access at a major university in northern Iraq.
  – This university had no network to connect the campus buildings, and only 70 of the institution’s 1,000 computers had access to the Internet. The new computer network will improve the communication services inside the campus and with other Iraqi universities and institutions.

The Minister of Higher Education visits United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO):
• During a meeting at UNESCO headquarters on October 11, the Director-General of UNESCO and the Iraqi Minister of Higher Education discussed how to strengthen cooperation in the field of higher education between the organization and Iraq.
• A meeting chaired by the UNESCO Special Envoy for Basic and Higher Education concluded with an agreement to implement four projects which will be financed by the Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development.
• These projects will provide textbooks for higher education institutions, books for the four main university libraries, and laboratory equipment for medical related and engineering faculties. The agreement also provides for the creation of fellowships for University students and teaching staff.
Essential Services – Telecommunications

The Iraq Telecommunications and Postal Commission (ITPC) has made significant progress restoring basic telecommunications services. Some accomplishments to date include:

- Auditing more than 1,200 km of the fiber optic backbone network and performed emergency repairs, reconnecting 20 cities and 70% of the population.
- Reconstituting Baghdad area phone service by installing switches with 240,000 lines at 12 sites.
- Installing 13 new switches, and fully integrated them with the 14 existing switches.
- Reactivating more than 213,000 subscriber lines through the Ministry of Communications.
- Installing a satellite gateway system at Baghdad’s largest telecom exchange and restored international service.
- Training ITPC engineers and technicians in the operation and maintenance of the satellite gateway system and the new switches.
• On average 791 MW of generation capacity was scheduled offline and while 685 MW was unscheduled for maintenance.
• 7 Day Average (18 – 24 Oct): 98,236 MWh
Electricity – Hours of Power

Average hours of Electrical Service provided over a 7 Day Period

- ≤ 8 Hrs = Red
- 9 to 15 Hrs = Amber
- ≥ 16 Hrs = Green
- No Report = White

Percent Change in MW over a 7 Day Period

Baghdad: -4.9
Dhului: -1.1
Ninewah: -3
Tamim: -2.3
Salah Ad Din: 1.8
Anbar: -3.9
Diyala: -7
Babil: -8.7
Karbala: -24.9
Najaf: -8.4
Qadisiyah: -2.9
Wasit: -1.5
Muthanna: 2.1
Dhi Qar: -1
Maysan: 3.1
Basrah: -11.1
Arbil: Unknown
Sulaymaniyah: Unknown

Average Electrical Power Distribution per Governorate as of 13 October 2004
**Crude Oil Production**

- **Weekly Average (Oct 18-24)** of 2.52 MBPD
- **Near Term Ministry of Oil (MOO) Target (Dec 04):** 2.8 – 3.0 MBPD (Pre-War Capacity)
- **Pre-War Peak:** 2.5 MBPD in Mar 03
- **Post-War Peak:** 2.67 MBPD

---

**MOO Goal: 2.5 MBPD**

![Graph showing crude oil production and targets over a series of dates from August 30 to October 24, 2004, with weekly averages and targets highlighted.]
27 October 2004

Crude Oil Monthly Export – Volume & Revenue

- 2003 Revenue: $5,076.6M
- 2004 Revenue:
  - Pre-Transition: $8,105.2M
  - Post-Transition: $5,341.6M

As of 22 Oct

$13,446.8M
Refined Products – Domestic Production & Imports

- Diesel: 16.9 ML of 18 ML
- Kerosene: 6.7 ML of 15 ML
- Benzene: 18.9 ML of 18 ML
- LPG: 3,880 tons of 4,300 tons

Note: This chart represents the percentage of target reached for the week of Oct 18-24
The goal is for all refined products to be over 15 days worth of stocks at maximum consumption rates. This does not represent seasonal change. The numbers given above are monthly averages.
## Iraq Relief and Reconstruction Fund (IRRF) – Financial Status

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sector</th>
<th>$ Millions</th>
<th>Apportion</th>
<th>Last Week</th>
<th>Current</th>
<th>Last Week</th>
<th>Current</th>
<th>Last Week</th>
<th>Current</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Security and Law Enforcement</td>
<td>5045</td>
<td>5045</td>
<td>3428</td>
<td>3652</td>
<td>2255</td>
<td>2325</td>
<td>792</td>
<td>852</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Electricity Sector</td>
<td>4350</td>
<td>3840</td>
<td>3366</td>
<td>3432</td>
<td>2218</td>
<td>2213</td>
<td>354</td>
<td>369</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Oil Infrastructure</td>
<td>1701</td>
<td>1701</td>
<td>1200</td>
<td>1200</td>
<td>735</td>
<td>735</td>
<td>53</td>
<td>55</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Justice, Public Safety, and Civil Society</td>
<td>1122</td>
<td>979</td>
<td>838</td>
<td>834</td>
<td>483</td>
<td>510</td>
<td>63</td>
<td>74</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Democracy</td>
<td>831</td>
<td>541</td>
<td>504</td>
<td>473</td>
<td>472</td>
<td>472</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Education, Refugees, Human Rights, Governance</td>
<td>379</td>
<td>290</td>
<td>241</td>
<td>145</td>
<td>138</td>
<td>138</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>33</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Roads, Bridges, and Construction</td>
<td>359</td>
<td>299</td>
<td>289</td>
<td>298</td>
<td>148</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Health Care</td>
<td>786</td>
<td>786</td>
<td>763</td>
<td>637</td>
<td>456</td>
<td>333</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Transportation and Communications</td>
<td>499</td>
<td>499</td>
<td>384</td>
<td>390</td>
<td>181</td>
<td>187</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Water Resources and Sanitation</td>
<td>2311</td>
<td>1408</td>
<td>1240</td>
<td>1241</td>
<td>780</td>
<td>787</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Private Sector Development</td>
<td>843</td>
<td>168</td>
<td>142</td>
<td>142</td>
<td>140</td>
<td>140</td>
<td>47</td>
<td>47</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Admin Expense (USAID, State)</td>
<td>213</td>
<td>29</td>
<td>29</td>
<td>29</td>
<td>29</td>
<td>29</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>26</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IRRF II SUBTOTAL 9%</td>
<td>18439</td>
<td>15585</td>
<td>12424</td>
<td>12473</td>
<td>8035</td>
<td>8019</td>
<td>1499</td>
<td>1593</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CONSTRUCTION</td>
<td>11416</td>
<td>8954</td>
<td>7546</td>
<td>7591</td>
<td>4904</td>
<td>4848</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NON-CONSTRUCTION</td>
<td>6192</td>
<td>6090</td>
<td>4374</td>
<td>4405</td>
<td>2659</td>
<td>2699</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DEMOCRACY</td>
<td>831</td>
<td>541</td>
<td>504</td>
<td>473</td>
<td>472</td>
<td>472</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IRRF 1 SUBTOTAL 69%</td>
<td>2475</td>
<td>2475</td>
<td>2418</td>
<td>2418</td>
<td>2418</td>
<td>2418</td>
<td>1704</td>
<td>1704</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>GRAND TOTAL IRRF I &amp; II 16%</td>
<td>20914</td>
<td>18060</td>
<td>14842</td>
<td>14891</td>
<td>10453</td>
<td>10437</td>
<td>3203</td>
<td>3297</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Data as of 25 Oct 04
**Iraqi Security Forces Update**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Iraqi Security Forces</th>
<th>Trained/On Hand</th>
<th>Required</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Police</td>
<td>43,927</td>
<td>135,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Civil Intervention Force</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>4,920</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Emergency Response Unit</td>
<td>73</td>
<td>270</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Border Enforcement</td>
<td>14,313</td>
<td>32,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Highway Patrol</td>
<td>589</td>
<td>1,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bureau of Dignitary Protection</td>
<td>446</td>
<td>500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Army</td>
<td>4,507</td>
<td>27,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>National Guard</td>
<td>40,457</td>
<td>61,904</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Intervention Force</td>
<td>1,743</td>
<td>6,584</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Special Operations Force</td>
<td>617</td>
<td>1,967</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Air Force</td>
<td>167</td>
<td>502</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Coastal Defense Force</td>
<td>409</td>
<td>582</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>107,248</strong></td>
<td><strong>272,729</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*The military forces continue to receive advanced unit training and may require some equipment

Data as of 18 Oct 04
Stability Contributors – OIF

Countries with forces in Iraq

Albania  El Salvador  Kazakhstan  Mongolia  Slovakia
Australia  Estonia  Korea  Netherlands  Tonga
Azerbaijan  Georgia  Latvia  Norway  Ukraine
Bulgaria  Hungary  Lithuania  Poland  UK
Czech Rep  Italy  Macedonia  Portugal  
Denmark  Japan  Moldova  Romania  

TOTAL ~ 25,392 Forces

29 Countries and NATO
(including US)
Supporting Iraqi Stability Operations

Data as of 21 Oct 04
Iraq Weekly Status – General Information

- Development, coordination and distribution responsibilities for the Iraq Weekly Status Report have been transferred from the Department of Defense to the Department of State.

- This brief draws from multiple sources. References are cited on the respective pages in the “Notes Page” section (View → Notes Page).

- Please forward all questions and/or comments to (unclassified) NEA-I-IPOG-DL@state.gov or (classified) NEA-I-IPOG-DL@state.sgov.gov