

A map of Iraq and surrounding regions, with Iraq highlighted in yellow. The map shows the Persian Gulf to the east and the Mediterranean Sea to the north. The text is overlaid on the map.

Iraq Weekly Status Report

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1. Defeat the Terrorists and Neutralize the Insurgents

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8. Strengthen Public Understanding of Coalition Efforts and Public Isolation of the Insurgents

Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki and US Ambassador to Iraq Zalmay Khalilzad issued a joint statement October 27 in which Iraq reaffirmed its commitment to a "good and strong" relationship with the US.



[1.] Defeat the Terrorists and Neutralize the Insurgency

ISF and Coalition Operations Against Death Squads:

- Iraqi Security Forces (ISF), with Coalition Forces (CF) in support, conducted 26 operations targeting death squads October 14-25. Of these 26 missions, 19 were in Baghdad and an additional five were in the Baghdad provincial area.
- Since mid-July, operations specifically focused against death squad activities have resulted in the detention of over 400 death squad cell members.

CF Establish New Security Station in Ramadi:

- Multi-National Forces-West established a Central Ramadi Security Station October 27 as part of its continued operations to eliminate the insurgent presence in Ramadi. More than eight new positions in the city have been established since June.
- The Central Ramadi Security Station is in the vicinity of last week's demonstration by insurgents claiming the establishment of a Sunni Islamic Republic. As part of recent operations, several insurgents were killed and wounded October 28 in the vicinity of the new location.



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ISF and CF Continue to Pursue AQI:

- ISF and CF conducted approximately 70 specifically-focused operations against al-Qaida in Iraq (AQI) October 12-25.

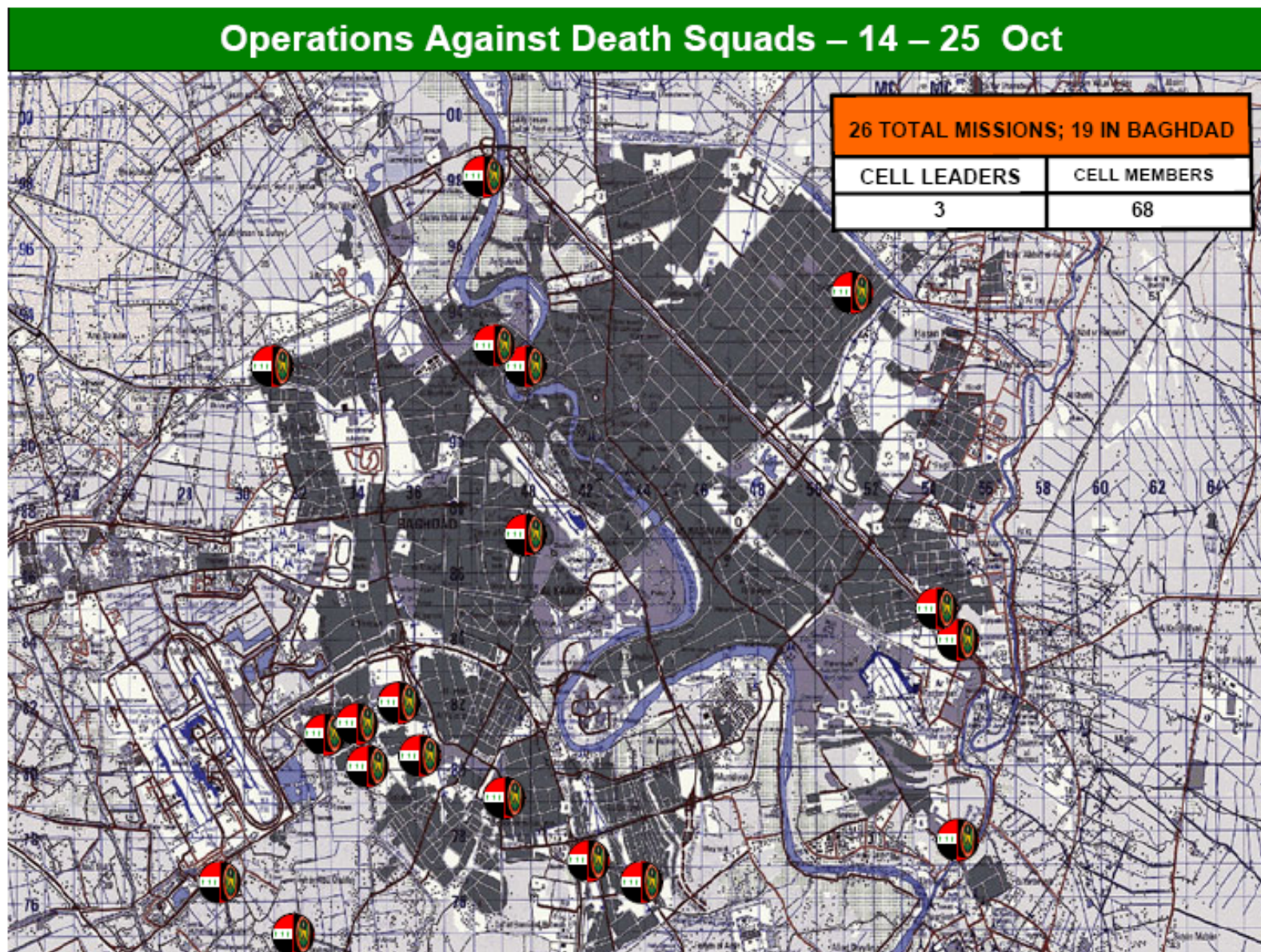
Insurgents Ambush IP in Diyala Province:

- An unknown number of insurgent forces ambushed a Baquba-based Iraqi Police (IP) unit in the vicinity of Khan Bani Sa'ad in Diyala Province October 26. The police unit fought back, resulting in intense house-to-house fighting.
- An element from 1-68 Combined Arms Battalion, 3rd Heavy Brigade Combat Team, Task Force Lightning, was diverted from another mission and rapidly responded to reinforce the IPs in contact.
- Iraqi and Coalition forces engaged the enemy forces, killing 18, wounding eight, and capturing 27. However, one Iraqi civilian and 24 IPs were killed in action. Seven IPs were wounded and transported to FOB Warhorse for medical treatment. No CF were killed or injured during the attack.



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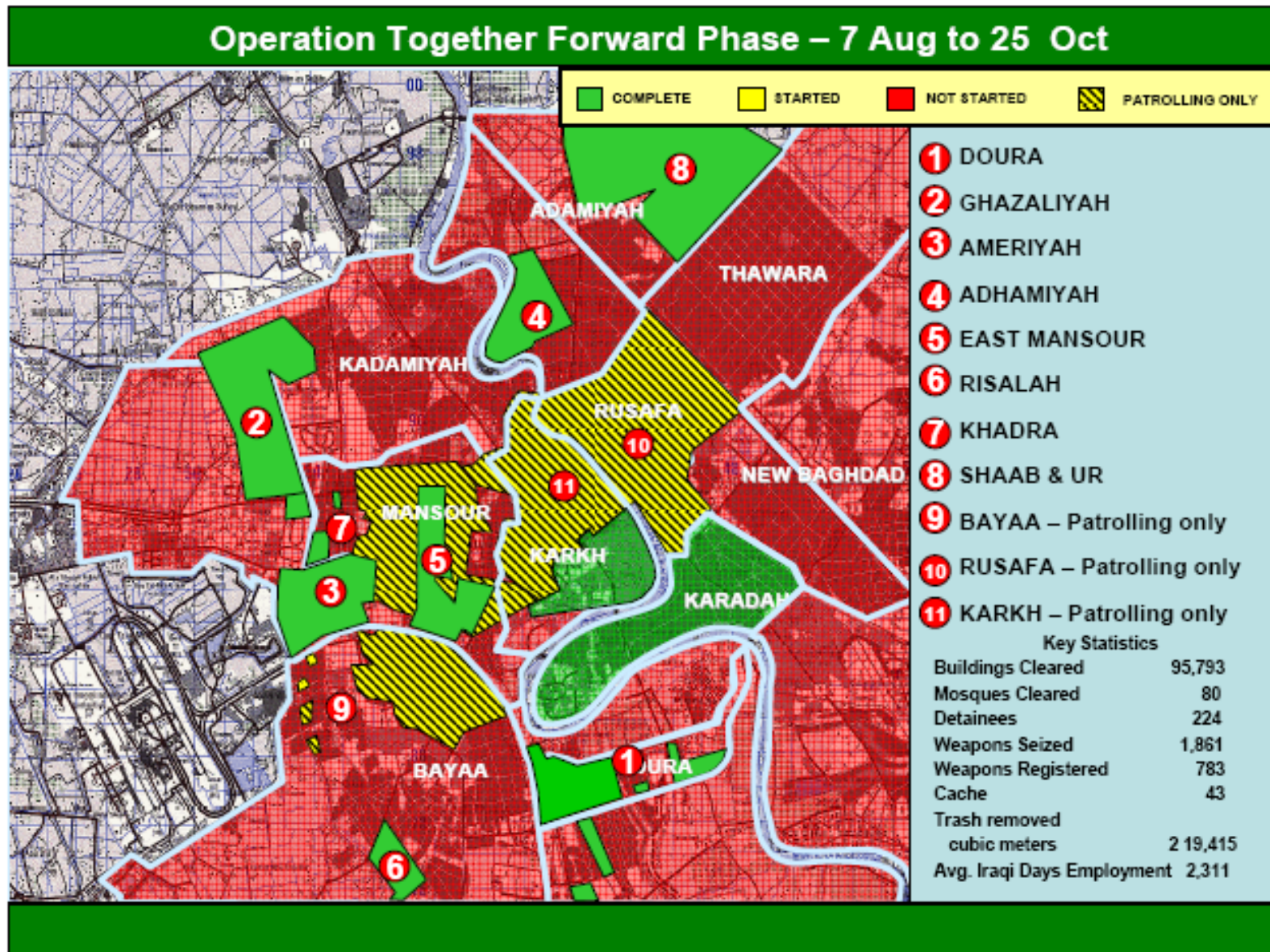
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Iraqi Security Force raid in Sadr City – Oct. 25

Iraqi Security Forces, with Coalition Force advisors, conducted a raid in Sadr City in early morning hours of October 25 to detain Abu Dura, who is suspected of involvement in extra judicial killings and insurgent activity in Baghdad.

RESULTS:

- 13 detainees
- 10 Enemy killed





[2.] Transition to Security Self-Reliance – Iraqi Security Forces

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IA Assumes Security in Tal Afar:

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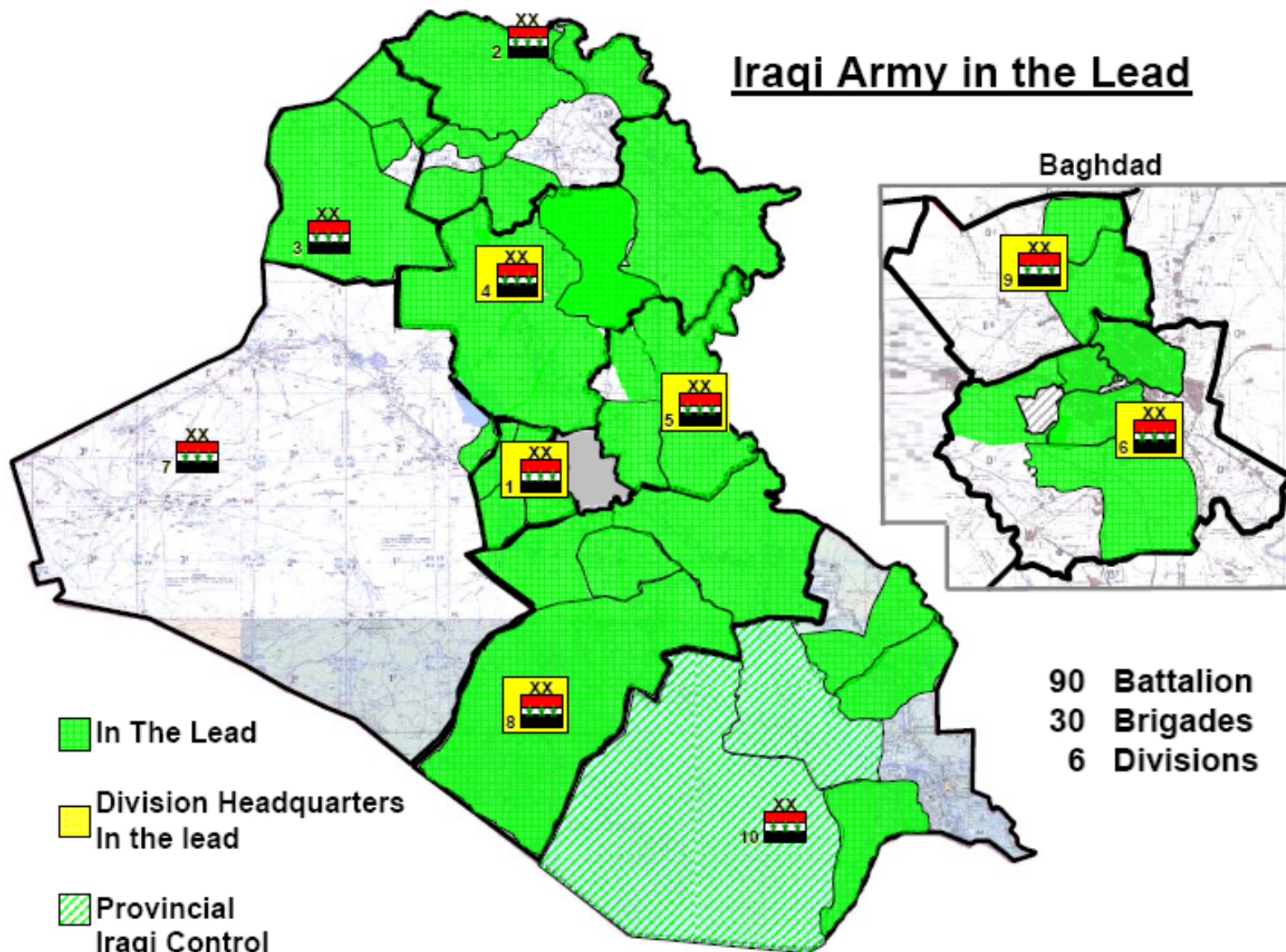
Cadets Graduate Emergency Response Force Training:

- Two hundred and ninety cadets graduated from the Emergency Response Force (ERF) basic course October 22, having completed drill and ceremony training, basic weapons training, basic first aid classes and classes on ERF and Iraqi Security Forces' duties and responsibilities prior to graduation. The graduates will continue to train during a ten-day advanced ERF training class, where they will operate side by side with Iraqi ERF on the streets of Baghdad before being assigned to full-time ERF units.



[2.] Transition to Security Self-Reliance – Iraqi Security Forces

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Ministry of Interior Forces

COMPONENT	TRAINED & EQUIPPED
POLICE	~128,008***
NATIONAL POLICE	~ 24,400
OTHER MOI FORCES	~28,428
TOTAL	~180,836**

Ministry of Defense Forces

COMPONENT	OPERATIONAL
ARMY	~129,760***
AIR FORCE	~823
NAVY	~1,135
TOTAL	~131,718**

Total Trained & Equipped ISF:

~312,554****

* 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

*** Army numbers include Special Operations Forces and Support Forces

**** Does not include the approximately 144,000 Facilities Protection Service personnel working in 27 ministries

Data as of November 1, 2006 (updated bi-weekly by DOD)



[3.] Help Iraqis to Forge a National Compact for Democratic Government– **Developments**

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Maliki Orders Sadr City Blockade Lifted:

- US forces ended a five-day-old military blockade of Baghdad's Sadr City, meeting a deadline set by Iraqi Prime Minister Maliki.
- Maliki's order came in the wake of pressure from anti-American cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, whose militia controls the Shia neighborhood. Maliki ordered that the security cordon be lifted hours after Sadr called for a civil disobedience campaign in Sadr City to protest the blockade. Sadr leads the political party that comprises one of the biggest blocs in the governing alliance.

Political Opposition Group to Join National Reconciliation Conference:

- A delegation of Iraqi lawmakers met with a newly formed group of Iraqi political activists in Amman October 30 and agreed to participate in a national reconciliation conference in November under the auspices of Prime Minister Maliki.
- The Patriotic and National Forces Movement opposition group was formed by both Sunni and Shia Muslims, and includes Iraqi politicians, former military officers, former leaders of Saddam's Ba'ath party, intellectuals and tribal chiefs representing most of Iraq's ethnic and religious factions.



[3.] Help Iraqis to Forge a National Compact for Democratic Government– **Developments**

Sunni Activist Targeted:

- A leading Iraqi academic and prominent moderate Sunni political activist was fatally shot October 30. Issam al-Rawi was head of the Baghdad University Professor's Union and one of the most moderate voices among members of the influential Muslim Ulama Council (MUC) a Sunni organization believed to have links to the Iraqi insurgency. Although the MUC has boycotted elections and stood aside from the political process, Rawi had promoted Sunni engagement in the political process and had rejected extremism (including the Al-Qaida-affiliated Mujahadin Shura Council's call for an Islamic State of Iraq).
- Although Rawi was likely targeted because of his political views, Iraqi academics have increasingly fallen victim to the country's religious extremists and other violent groups.

Council of Representatives (CoR) Session Called Off amid Political Infighting:

- When only 76 of the 275 legislators showed up for the November 1 CoR session, Speaker Mahmoud al-Mashhadani, a Sunni Arab, called off the session. Following the suspension, Sunni lawmaker Abdul Kareem al-Sammaraie, interrupted Mashhadani during a news conference to say enough members had arrived to hold a session. Mashhadani shot back, accusing fellow Sunnis of corruption and staying away from parliament when it takes up controversial issues. The verbal clash highlighted the political infighting between and within blocs that has stalled government efforts to tackle critical issues.



[3.] Help Iraqis to Forge a National Compact for Democratic Government - Iraqi National Unity Government

		Deputy President Tariq al-Hashimi	President Jalal Talabani	Deputy President 'Adil 'Abd al-Mahdi	
		Deputy Prime Minister Barham Salih	Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki	Deputy Prime Minister Salam al-Zawba'i	
(F) = Female					
Minister of Agriculture Ya'rub Nathim	Minister of Communications Muhammad Tawfiq Allawi	Minister of Culture As'ad Kamal Muhammad Abdallah al-Hashimi	Minister of Defense Abdul Qadir Muhammed Jasim	Minister of Displacement & Migration Abd al-Samad Rahman Sultan	Minister of Electricity Karim Wahid
Minister of Education Khudayyir al-Khuza'i	Minister of Environment Narmin 'Uthman (F)	Minister of Finance Bayan Jabr	Minister of Foreign Affairs Hoshiyar Zebari	Minister of Health Ali al-Shammari	Minister of Higher Education Abd Dhiyab al-Ajili
Minister of Human Rights Wijdan Mikha'il (F)	Minister of Industry & Minerals Fawzi al-Hariri	Minister of Interior Jawad al-Bulani	Minister of Justice Hashim al-Shibli	Minister of Housing & Construction Bayan Daza'l (F)	Minister of Labor & Social Affairs Mahmud Muhammad Jawad al-Radi
Minister of Oil Husayn al-Shahristani	Minister of Planning Ali Baban	Minister of Trade Abd al-Falah al-Sudani	Minister of Science & Technology Ra'id Fahmi Jahid	Minister of Municipalities & Public Works Riyad Ghurayyib	Minister of Transportation Karim Mahdi Salih
Minister of Water Resources 'Abd al-Latif Rashid	Minister of Youth & Sports Jasim Muhammad Ja'far	Minister of State for Civil Society Adil al-Asadi	Minister of State for National Dialogue Affairs Akram al-Hakim	Minister of State for National Security Affairs Shirwan al-Waili	
Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Rafi Hiyad al-Isawi	Minister of State for Governorates Affairs Sa'd Tahir Abd Khalaf al-Hashimi	Minister of State for Tourism and Antiquities Liwa Sumaysim	Minister of State for Women's Affairs Fatin Abd al-Rahman Mahmud (F)	Minister of State for CoR Affairs Safa al-Safi	



[4.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – Financials from Iraq Relief and Reconstruction Fund (IRRF) 1 and IRRF 2

(Millions of USD)

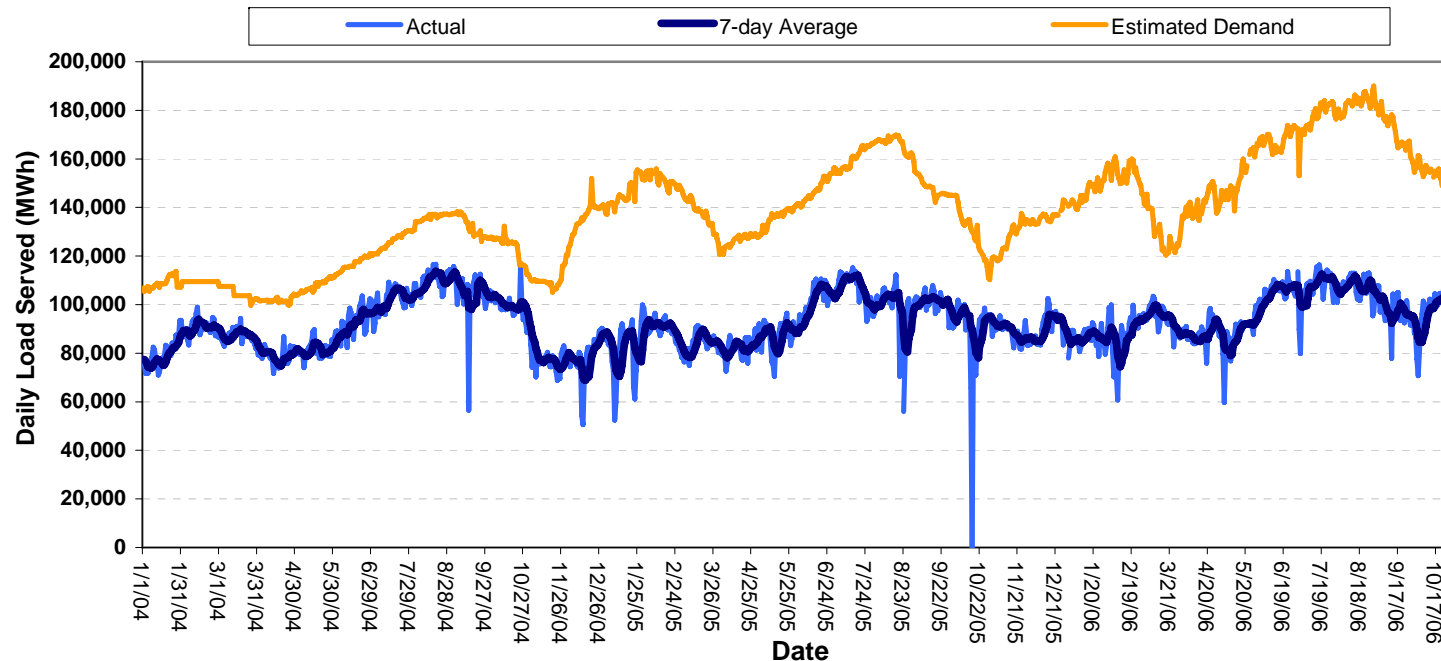
Sector	Apportioned		Committed			Obligated			Disbursed		
	2207 Report	Apportion	Last Week	Current	Change	Last Week	Current	Change	Last Week	Current	Change
Security and Law Enforcement	\$5,002.59	\$5,002.59	\$4,978.05	\$4,989.36	\$11.31	\$4,940.92	\$4,989.36	\$48.43	\$4,621.49	\$4,658.12	\$36.63
Electricity Sector	\$4,239.51	\$4,239.51	\$4,171.75	\$4,096.61	-\$75.14	\$4,122.17	\$4,096.61	-\$25.56	\$2,596.96	\$2,665.74	\$68.78
Oil Infrastructure	\$1,724.70	\$1,724.70	\$1,687.46	\$1,604.61	-\$82.85	\$1,684.63	\$1,604.61	-\$80.03	\$1,131.22	\$1,140.33	\$9.11
Justice, Public Safety and Civil Society	\$1,304.15	\$1,304.15	\$1,266.42	\$1,297.67	\$31.25	\$1,206.71	\$1,297.67	\$90.96	\$930.07	\$916.69	-\$13.38
Democracy	\$1,001.85	\$1,001.85	\$999.72	\$1,001.53	\$1.81	\$998.35	\$1,001.53	\$3.18	\$846.64	\$851.83	\$5.19
Education, Refugees, Human Rights, Governance	\$401.50	\$401.50	\$399.71	\$401.15	\$1.45	\$382.42	\$401.15	\$18.74	\$308.98	\$318.57	\$9.59
Roads, Bridges and Construction	\$333.60	\$333.60	\$329.01	\$326.47	-\$2.54	\$328.44	\$326.47	-\$1.98	\$194.52	\$195.12	\$0.61
Health Care	\$818.90	\$818.90	\$781.97	\$801.30	\$19.33	\$779.18	\$801.30	\$22.12	\$528.53	\$533.72	\$5.19
Transportation and Communications	\$464.12	\$464.12	\$446.97	\$458.24	\$11.27	\$423.43	\$458.24	\$34.81	\$313.90	\$315.32	\$1.41
Water Resources and Sanitation	\$2,131.08	\$2,131.08	\$2,088.12	\$2,056.79	-\$31.33	\$2,054.08	\$2,056.79	\$2.71	\$1,282.37	\$1,296.35	\$13.98
Private Sector Development	\$813.95	\$813.95	\$795.14	\$813.62	\$18.49	\$791.12	\$813.62	\$22.51	\$719.25	\$728.73	\$9.49
Admin Expense (USAID, STATE)	\$213.00	\$213.00	\$212.44	\$212.44	\$0.00	\$212.44	\$212.44	\$0.00	\$151.76	\$129.62	-\$22.14
Total	\$18,448.95	\$18,448.95	\$18,156.75	\$18,059.77	-\$96.98	\$17,923.88	\$18,059.77	\$135.89	\$13,625.68	\$13,750.13	\$124.46
IRRF II Construction			\$10,423.91	\$10,250.85	-\$173.06	\$10,286.66	\$10,250.85	-\$35.81	\$7,292.44	\$7,359.19	\$66.75
IRRF II Non-Construction			\$6,733.12	\$6,807.40	\$74.28	\$6,638.87	\$6,807.40	\$168.53	\$5,538.20	\$5,539.11	\$0.91
IRRF II Democracy			\$999.72	\$1,001.53	\$1.81	\$998.35	\$1,001.53	\$3.18	\$846.64	\$851.83	\$5.19
IRRF I Total	\$2,473.30	\$2,473.30	\$2,473.30	\$2,473.30	\$0.00	\$2,232.3	\$2,232.3	\$0.00	\$2,139.00	\$2,139.0	\$0.00
Grand Total IRRF I & II	\$20,922.25	\$20,922.25	\$20,630.05	\$20,533.07	-\$96.98	\$20,156.18	\$20,292.07	\$135.89	\$15,764.68	\$15,889.13	\$124.46

As of October 24, 2006



[4.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – Electricity Overview

Daily Electricity Supplied and Estimated Demand in Iraq Since January 2004



- During the week of October 25-31, electricity availability averaged 7.9 hours per day in Baghdad and 12.3 hours nationwide. Electricity output for the week was unchanged from the same period in 2005.



[4.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – **Water, Highways, and Electricity**

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Water:

- Construction began on two compact water unit projects – Zangora 1 and 2 - in Ramadi, al-Anbar province October 21. The \$1.6 million US Army-funded projects will install a compact water treatment unit, intake pipes, a water main and fire hydrants and valves.

Highways:

- Al Tradi Company completed road repairs in Ramadi, al-Anbar province October 21. The \$134,000 US Army-funded project repaired two lengths of road 1,100 meters long and 10m wide within the municipality. This project benefits the 300,000 residents of Ramadi.

Electricity:

- Thefaf Al-Rafidain Constructing Company began work on the Mosul Electrical Distribution and Transformer Reconstruction project October 15. The \$2.9 million Iraq Reconstruction and Relief Fund (IRFF) project is located in Mosul City in the Mosul district. The objective of the project is to complete the installation of 410 transformers with capacities varying from 250 to 1000 kVA and will serve 200,000 people with more reliable power.



[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Oil Update and Job Creation

Oil Update:

- Crude oil prices in world markets for the week ending October 27 closed with the following prices:
 - Basrah Light at \$51.05/barrel
 - WTI Cushing at \$58.87/barrel
 - Dated Brent at \$58.24/barrel
 - Oman/Dubai at \$56.14/barrel

Employment Update:

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

Employing Organization	Iraqis Last Week	Iraqis This Week	% Increase on Week
PCO (Project and Contracting Office)	21,885	22,609	3.31%
USAID	68,371	61,869	-9.51%
AIRP (Accelerated Iraqi Reconstruction Program)	687	687	0.00%
MILCON (Military Construction)	151	98	-35.10%
CERP*	7,234	7,234	0.00%
MNSTC-I	11,521	12,622	9.56%
IRRF NON-CONSTRUCTION	11,342	11,342	0.00%
GRAND TOTAL	121,191	116,461	-3.90%

* CERP employment numbers are representative of Baghdad only.



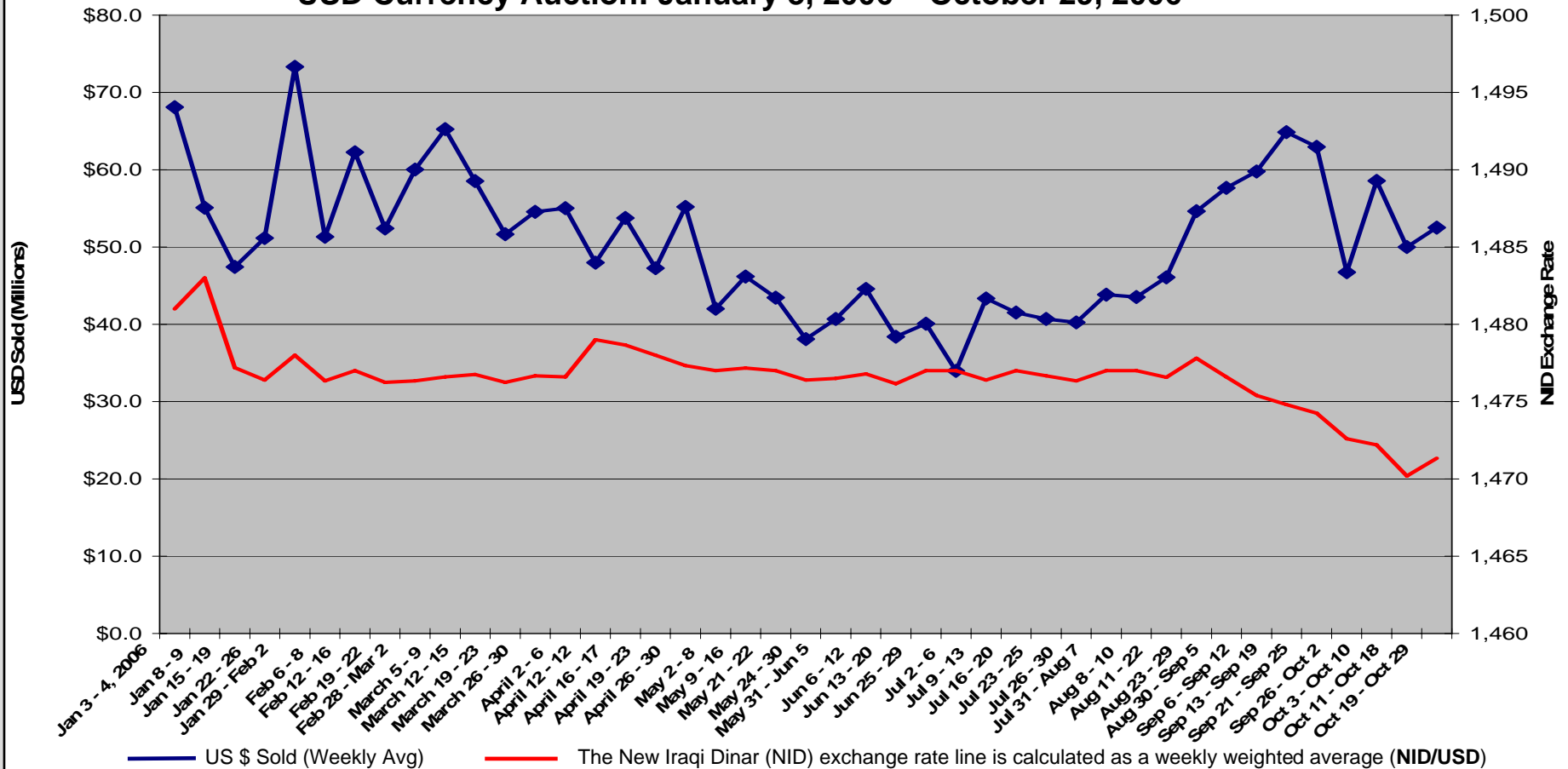
[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy - Banking Sector

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

- The following table shows volume sold and exchange rates for USD in the Iraqi currency auction since January 3. Since September the Central Bank has begun slowly appreciating the dinar in response to rampant inflation over the past year, however in the last week there was a slight depreciation of the currency.

Central Bank of Iraq

USD Currency Auction: January 3, 2006 – October 29, 2006



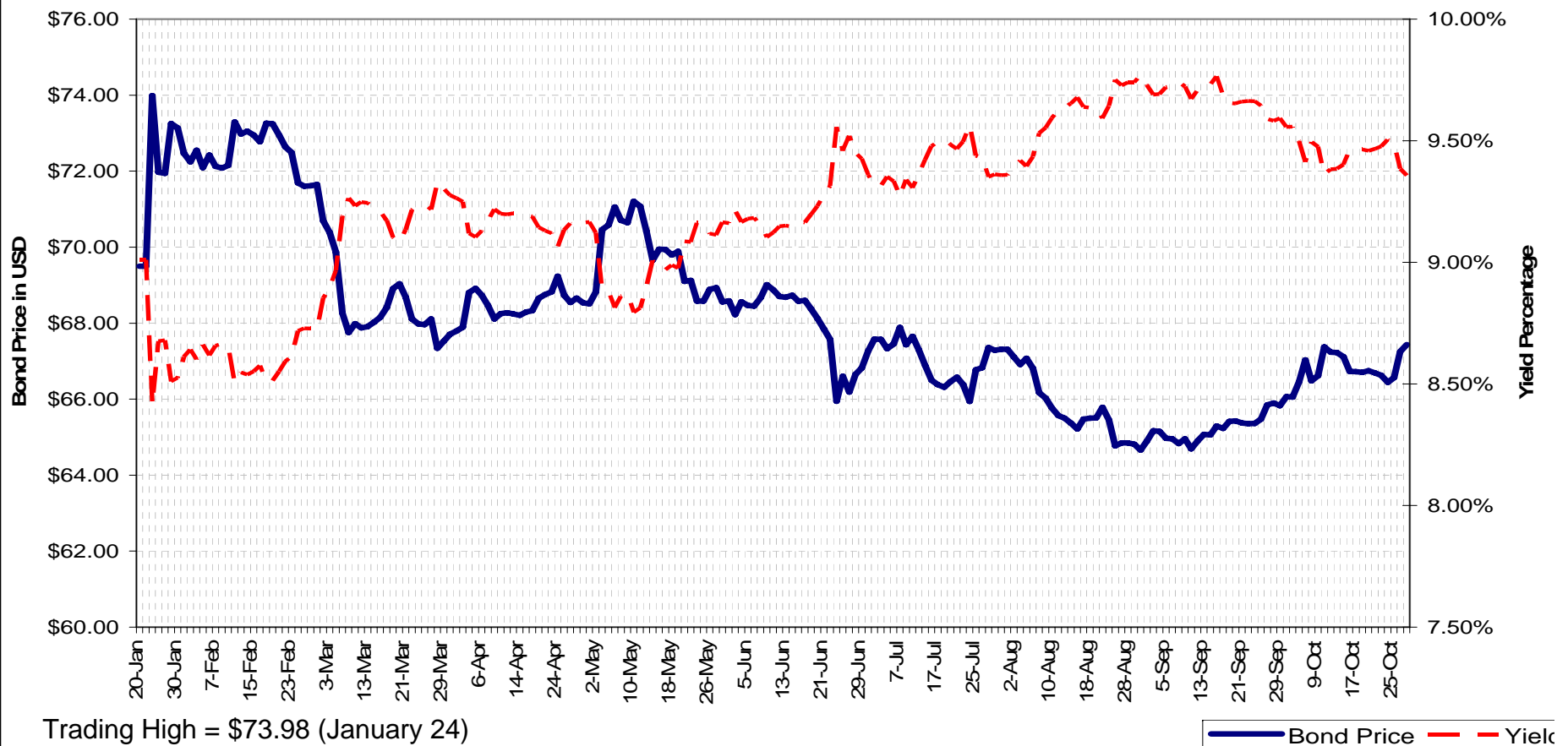


[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Securities Markets

Trading of Iraqi Bonds on the International Secondary Bond Market:

- The following table shows the daily bond resale price and yield on Iraqi bonds issued January 20. The bonds were originally issued to about two-thirds of Iraq's commercial creditors as part of a debt exchange arrangement at Paris Club terms. Iraq's commercial debt was approximately \$22 billion before the debt-swap arrangement. The bonds, which are not yet rated, will mature in 2028. The bonds' current yield of 9.36 percent remains one of the highest in the world for sovereign debt instruments.

Iraqi Commercial Bond Sales
January 20, 2006 - October 27, 2006





[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Recent Economic Events

Iraq, Iran Oil Companies Discuss Cooperation:

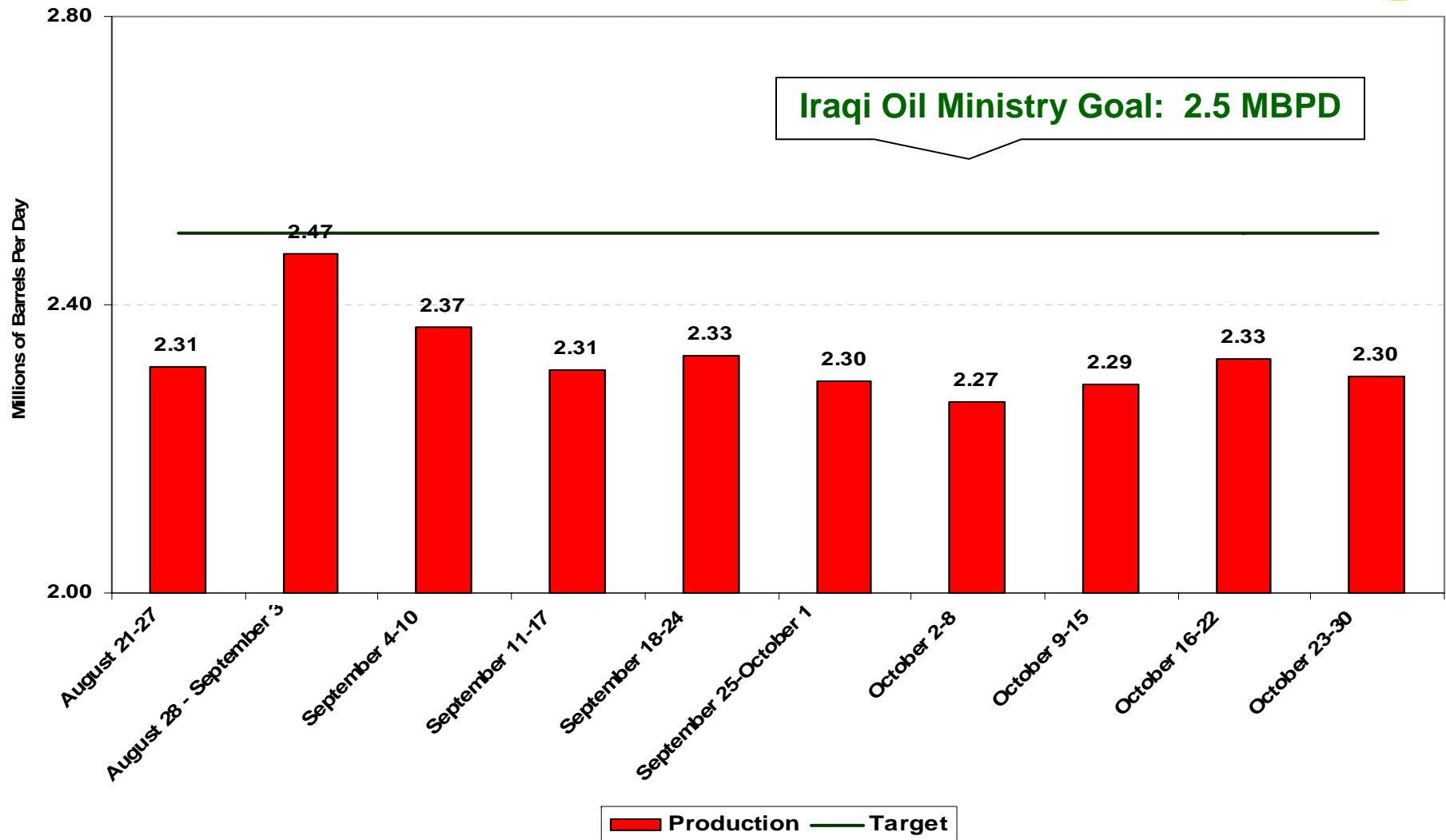
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Czech Delegation Visits Kurdistan:

- The head of the Sulaymaniyah Chamber of Commerce said that a delegation from the Czech Republic arrived in Kurdistan to participate in the Sulaymaniyah international tradeshow which starts November 11. Many foreign and local companies are expected to participate in the tradeshow.



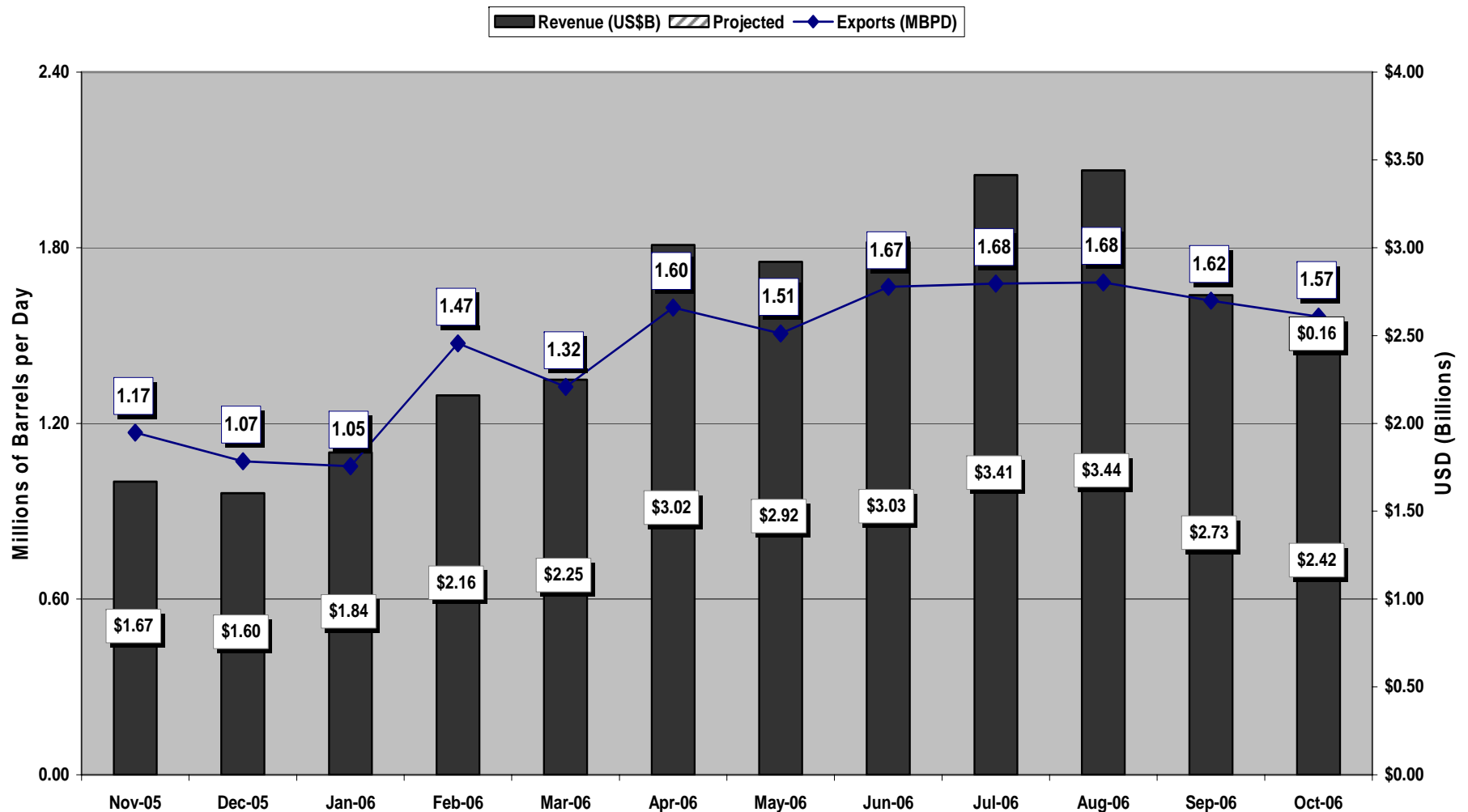
[5.0] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Crude Oil Production



- Weekly Average (October 23-29) of 2.30 Million Barrels Per Day (MBPD)



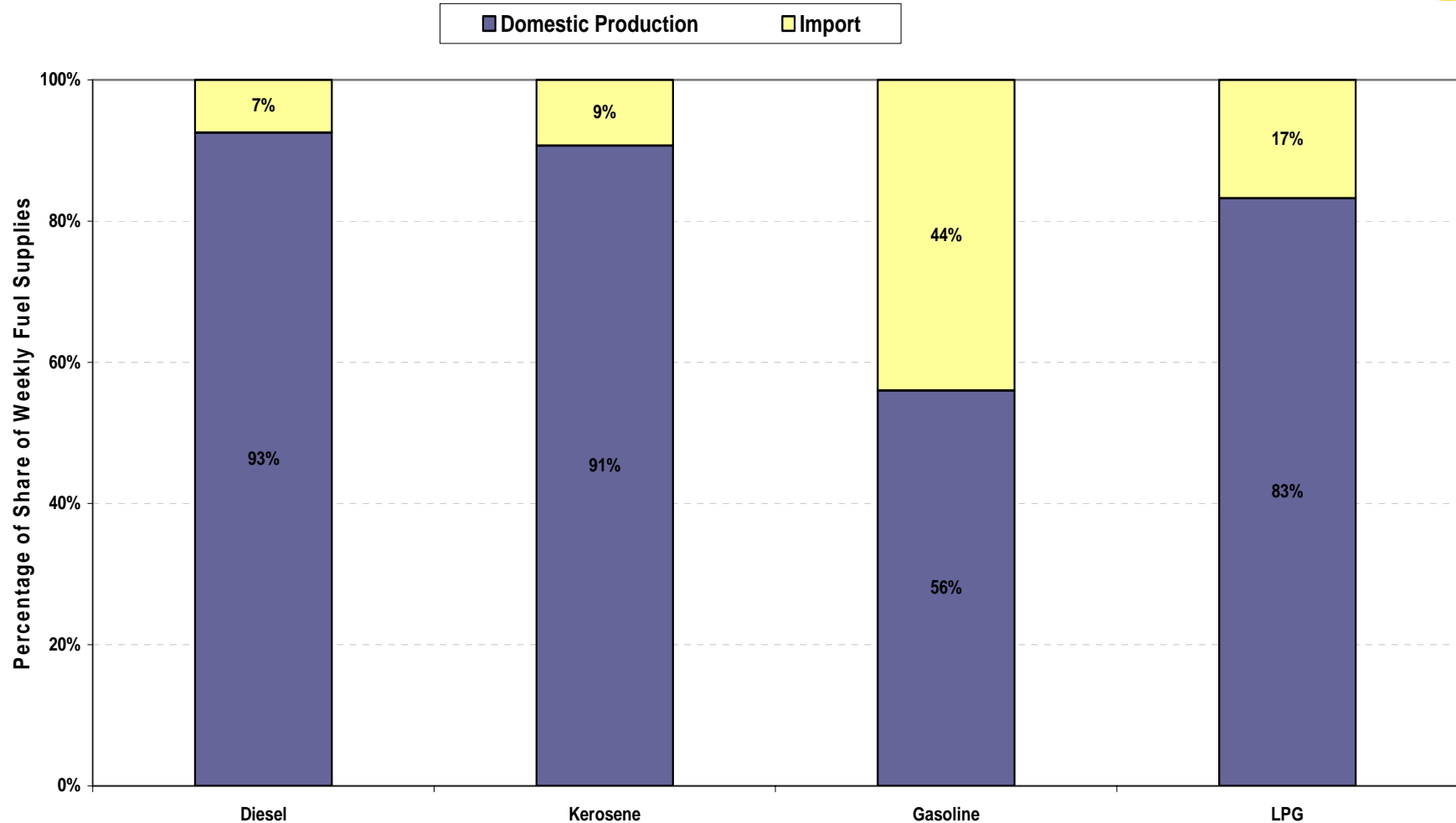
[5.0] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Crude Oil Export



- 2005 Revenue Estimate: \$23.5 B
- 2006 Revenue Estimate: \$27.2 B (Year to Date)



[5.0] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Total Critical Refined Product Supplies

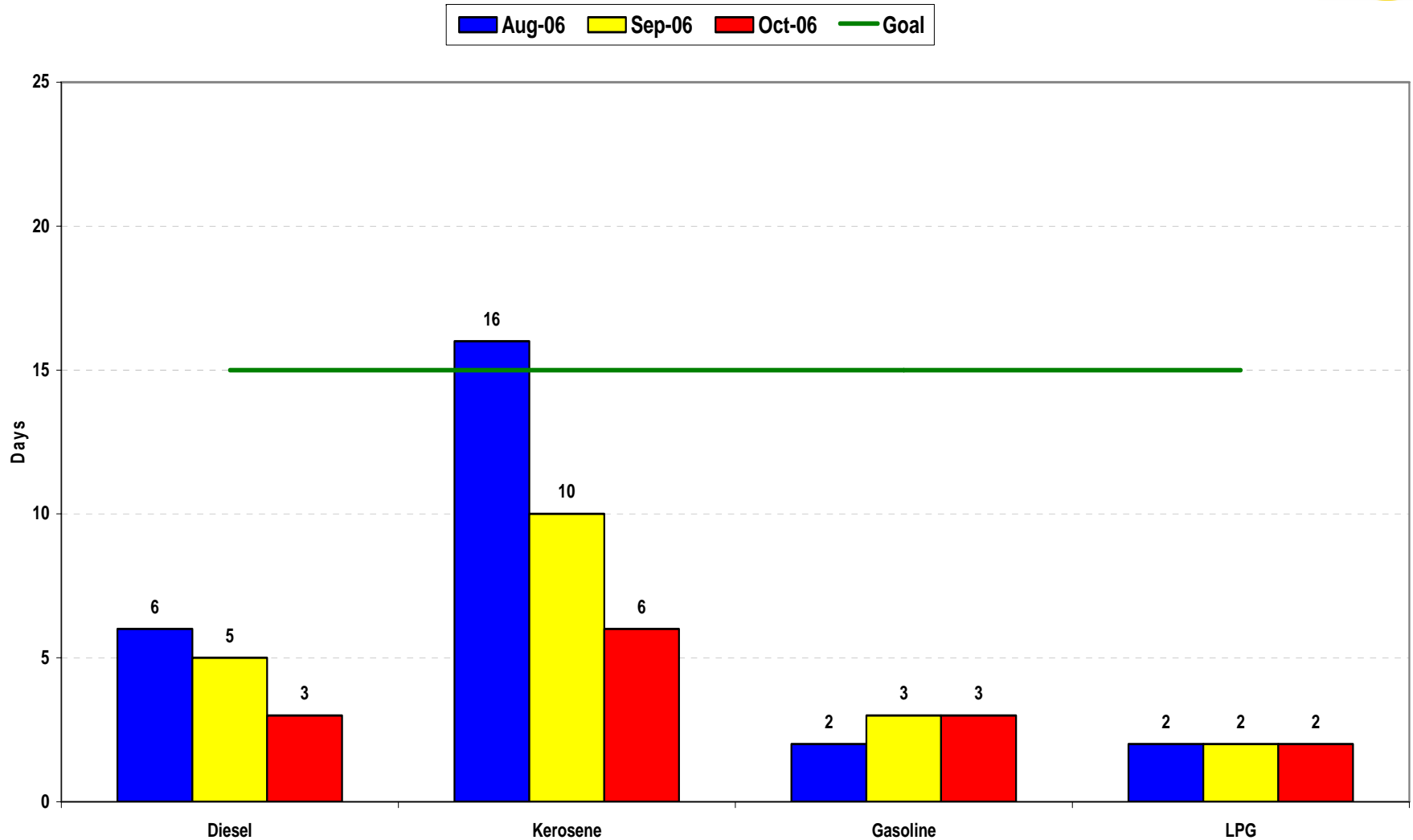


Note: This is a daily average for the week of October 23 -29

- Diesel: 9.5 ML supply of 23.4 ML target
- Kerosene: 5.4 ML supply of 15.3 ML target
- Gasoline: 11.0 ML supply of 27.4 ML target
- LPG: 2,211 tons supply of 5,075 tons target



[5.0] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – National Stock Levels



- 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

Saddam Trial Witness Describes Massacre:

- A witness testified at Saddam Hussein's Anfal genocide trial October 31 that he survived a massacre by feigning death when Iraqi soldiers shot at Kurdish detainees lying at their feet. The witness, who testified from behind a curtain to conceal his identity, said he was one of dozens of prisoners who were taken in buses to an execution site in western Iraq in April 1988 during the crackdown by Hussein's regime on the Kurdish population.
- Hussein and six co-defendants are charged with war crimes and crimes against humanity for their roles in the Operation Anfal crackdown. Hussein and one other defendant are also charged with genocide.



[7.] Increase International Support for Iraq – **Developments**

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Kuwait Hosts Preparatory Meeting for the Compact with Iraq:

- Kuwait hosted a preparatory group meeting for the International Compact with Iraq (ICI) in Kuwait City October 31.
- The ICI's preparatory group included delegates from the UN, US, UK, United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, World Bank, International Monetary Fund, European Union, the Islamic Development Bank, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, and Spain.

Eight Nations agree to host Iraqi Embassies:

- Iraq's Ministry of Foreign Affairs received official letters from South Korea, Ukraine, Denmark, Slovakia, Serbia, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, and Nigeria agreeing to the opening of new Iraqi embassies in their countries.

UNHCR Publishes Report about Palestinian Refugees

- According to a recent report by the UN refugee agency - UNHCR - Palestinians living in Iraq have increasingly come under threat since the US-led invasion in 2003. The report said that Palestinians, who are predominately Sunni Muslims, have become targets of Shiite death squads.



[7.] Increase International Support for Iraq – Contributors to Iraqi Stability Operations

Data as of November 1, 2006

27 Countries with forces in Iraq (in addition to US)

Albania	Denmark	Korea	Romania
Armenia	El Salvador	Latvia	Singapore
Australia	Estonia	Lithuania	Slovakia
Azerbaijan	Georgia	Macedonia	South Korea
Bosnia-Herzegovina	Italy	Moldova	Ukraine
Bulgaria	Japan	Mongolia	UK
Czech Republic	Kazakhstan	Poland	

TOTAL ~ 17,239 Forces

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

32 Countries and NATO*
(including US)
Support Iraqi Stability Operations

*32 includes the 28 countries listed above, the US, Fiji, and four NATO, non-MNF-I countries: Hungary, Iceland, Slovenia, Turkey



[8.] Strengthen Public Understanding of Coalition Efforts and Public Isolation of the Insurgents – **Developments**

Iraqi State TV Presenters Shot Dead:

- Iraqi police found the bodies of two presenters working for state-run local television in central Baghdad October 29, identified as Naqsheen Muhammad and Anas Qasim, presenters for the al-Atyaf Kurdish television stations affiliated with Iraqiyah television. Muhammad presented broadcasts directed toward Iraq's Kurdish and Christian minorities and had recently been forced to move after receiving death threats.



Special Addendum: Provincial Reconstruction Teams (PRT)

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PRT Mission Statement:

- To assist Iraq's provincial governments with developing a transparent and sustained capability to govern, promoting increased security and rule of law, promoting political and economic development, and providing provincial administration necessary to meet the basic needs of the population.

Provincial Reconstruction Team Concept:

- The PRT concept was developed to improve on Regional Embassy Office (REO) and Provincial Support Team (PST) programs. The PRTs are a civil-military operation led by the civilians with extensive support from US and Coalition Forces. The PRTs are an integrated capacity-building effort built around Local Governance Program (LGP) and include support from other agencies to cover all key capacity development needs.

PRT Operations Status:

- PRTs have been established in Tamim/Kirkuk; Ninewa/Mosul; Babil/Hillah; Baghdad; Anbar/Ramadi; Diyala/Baquba; Salah ad-Din; Basrah; and Dhi Qar. PRTs are comprised of representatives from the US Department of State, United States Agency for International Development, Multi-National Force – Iraq, Department of Justice, Gulf Regional Division of the Army Corps of Engineers, Multi-National Corps – Iraq and Coalition partners.

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