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 for victory in Iraq.

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Highlights

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The sentences against the former head of Iraqi Intelligence and the judge of the Revolutionary Court that ordered the execution of 148 citizens of Dujail in 1982 were carried out at dawn January 15. Barzan Ibrahim al-Tikriti, Saddam's half-brother and Awad al-Bandar, former judge on Saddam’s Revolutionary Court, were hanged for their roles in the Dujail killings.

7. **Increase International Support for Iraq**
Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice participated in a number of meetings with key Gulf leaders to persuade America’s Arab allies to support President Bush's new strategy for quelling violence in Iraq. Secretary Rice discussed the Iraq plan privately with Saudi Arabia's King Abdullah, and met the foreign ministers of the Gulf Cooperation Council, along with those of Egypt and Jordan, also known as the “GCC + 2” group of Arab states.

8. **Strengthen Public Understanding of Coalition Efforts and Public Isolation of the Insurgents**
More than 13 hours after the carrying out of the sentences against two of Saddam Hussein's aides, Barzan Ibrahim al-Tikriti and Awad Hamad al-Bandar, an official video was played to a small group of Iraqi and Western reporters that showed the noose decapitating Tikriti. Officials said they would only run the silent, three-minute video once and not show it in public again.
[1.] Defeat the Terrorists and Neutralize the Insurgency

Ambassador Khalilzad and General Casey Discuss New Security Plan:

• At a press conference January 15, US Ambassador Zalmay Khalilzad and Multi-National Forces-Iraq Commander General George Casey discussed the new Baghdad Security Plan, which is based on the assumption that increased security for Baghdad is key to allowing political progress and for securing the rest of the country.

• The plan is designed, structured, and led by the Iraqis with US support. Prime Minister Maliki and the Government of Iraq (GOI) have committed that all those who break the law will be targeted; there will be no sanctuary for criminals or murderers; no militia will be a replacement for the state or control local security; and military commanders will have freedom of action and an ability to do what is needed without political interference or micromanagement.

Plan Incorporates Economic, Political, and Reconstruction Efforts to Assist with Security:

• An essential part of the plan is for Iraq to improve its ability to meet the needs of its people. To facilitate this, the Iraqis are planning political, economic services, and public affairs programs with senior Iraqi leaders in charge of each. Additionally, the GOI will also spend $10 billion on infrastructure and reconstruction projects, creating jobs for the Iraqi people.

• Working jointly with the GOI, the US will double the number of Provincial Reconstruction Teams in Iraq to support the provincial and local governments, helping communities with reconciliation efforts and accelerating the transition to Iraqi self-reliance.
[1.] Defeat the Terrorists and Neutralize the Insurgency

Political Progress Necessary for Security Plan’s Success:

- Political progress is also critical to the success of the new security plan. As such, the GOI has committed to holding provincial elections, reforming de-Ba'athification laws, passing hydrocarbon legislation, sharing oil revenues among all Iraqis, and considering constitutional amendments.

Regional Efforts to Improve Security:

- The new plan also reinforces regional efforts to stabilize Iraq, and it is integrated into a broader regional strategy, encouraging more Arab states to play a positive role and supporting Iraqi efforts to engage their neighbors.

- The regional aspect of the plan also seeks to change the behavior of Iran and Syria, going after their networks in Iraq that are attacking Coalition Forces and undermining Iraqi security. For example, the Coalition and GOI have already taken steps against Iranian Explosively Formed Penetrator/Improvised Explosive Device networks associated with the Iranian Quds forces.

Iraqi Police Net 301 New Recruits in Fallujah and Habbiniyah:

- In recruiting drives held January 10, the Fallujah Police District enlisted 102 Iraqi males, and the Habbaniyah Police District enlisted 199. The 301 recruits will soon travel to Jordan to attend the International Police Training College, where they will be joined by 550 recruits from other parts of Anbar province.

- There are currently over 1,900 Iraqi Police candidates in training in Jordan who are scheduled to return to Anbar province for duty in January and February.

1st IA Division Assumes Control of 2nd Brigade:

- The 1st Iraqi Army (IA) Division assumed tactical command of the 2nd Brigade from US Marine Regimental Combat Team 5 (RCT-5) in a ceremony in Fallujah January 9. The brigade has operated under the direction of RCT-5 for the last year in Fallujah proper and will continue its informal partnership with the regiment’s 1st Battalion, 24th Marines.

Data as of January 8, 2007 (updated bi-weekly by DOD)

** 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

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<td>OTHER MOI FORCES</td>
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Total Trained & Equipped ISF:

~323,000****
[3.] Help Iraqis to Forge a National Compact for Democratic Government—Developments

Iraqi Leadership Declares Support for Bush Plan:

- Iraq’s Deputy Prime Minister, Barham Salih (Kurdish Alliance), said that Iraqi leaders must commit to reforms. He stated that “the time has come to take initiative, and utilize American support that has been offered to us to really turn the corner.” Salih added that failure to do so would damage Iraqi leaders’ credibility in the eyes of Iraqis.

- Commenting on the new security plan, Khaled al-Attiya (UIA), a deputy speaker of parliament, said “If we want the Iraq that we longed for and worked for, then those political forces which suffered under the former regime ... must get together and make this work.”

Vice President Hashimi Attacks Maliki for Shia Militia Ties:

- Vice President Tariq al-Hashimi, Iraq’s most senior Sunni Arab politician, launched a bitter personal attack on Prime Minister Maliki, warning him that the Iraqi government had only limited time to break with sectarian groups and start delivering to ordinary citizens.

- Hashimi stated that Maliki must serve all Iraqis, rather than maintain his affiliation with Shia cleric Muqtada al-Sadr. He argued that Maliki had to be “encouraged” to break away from Sadr and unite with other groups in Iraqi society, such as the Sunnis and the Kurds.
[3.] Help Iraqis to Forge a National Compact for Democratic Government – Developments

SCIRI’s Hakim Calls on GOI to Curb Militia Violence:

- Abdul Aziz al-Hakim (SCIRI) publicly stated that the Government of Iraq should “strike with an iron fist” against anyone who endangers the “safety of people.” He also urged the militia of cleric Muqtada al-Sadr to disarm. Hakim commented just hours after President Bush announced his new strategy in Iraq.
### 3. Help Iraqis to Forge a National Compact for Democratic Government - Iraqi National Unity Government

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<td>Abd Dhiyab al-Ajili</td>
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**[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)

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<td>Education, Refugees, Human Rights, Governance</td>
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<td>Private Sector Development</td>
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<td>Admin Expense (USAID, STATE)</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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<td>IRRF II Construction</td>
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<td><strong>IRRF I Total</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Grand Total IRRF I &amp; II</strong></td>
<td>$20,922.25</td>
<td>$20,893.06</td>
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As of January 16, 2007
During the week of January 11-17 electricity availability averaged 4.4 hours per day in Baghdad and 7.7 hours nationwide. Electricity output for the week was 12% below the same period in 2005.
[4.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – *Electricity and Transportation*

**Electricity:**

- Construction was recently completed on the Rumaytha substation in Muthanna province. The US Army-funded project provides additional electricity to the municipal grid system for the local population of Rumaytha.

**Transportation:**

- Construction was recently completed on five concrete paved roads in Ninewa province, totaling approximately 1.16 km. This US Army-funded project provides increased traffic flow and reliable access to major infrastructure arteries while serving a community of approximately 10,000 residents.
[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Oil Update and Job Creation

Oil Update:
• Crude oil price averages in world markets for the week ending January 12 closed with the following prices:
  – Basrah Light at $46.10/barrel
  – Dated Brent at $53.30/barrel
  – WTI Cushing at $54.12/barrel
  – Oman/Dubai at $51.61/barrel

Employment Update:

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<th>Iraqi Employment Per Organization</th>
<th>Iraqis Last Week</th>
<th>Iraqis This Week</th>
<th>% change</th>
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<td>Gulf Region District (GRD)</td>
<td>23,266</td>
<td>23,658</td>
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<td>US Agency for International Development (USAID)</td>
<td>36,522</td>
<td>33,868</td>
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<td>Commander's Emergency Response Program (CERP)²</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>885</td>
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<td>Multi-National Security Transition Command-Iraq (MNSTC-I)</td>
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<td>7,907</td>
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<td>Iraq Reconstruction Relief Fund (IRRF) Non-Construction</td>
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<td><strong>GRAND TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>69,514</strong></td>
<td><strong>72,733</strong></td>
<td><strong>4.63%</strong></td>
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CERP employment numbers are representative of Baghdad only.

Data as of January 16
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 April. Since September, the Central Bank has begun slowly appreciating the dinar, as suggested by the IMF, to tackle rampant inflation over the past year. This welcome increase in the dinar’s value against the dollar is reflected in the figure below.

Central Bank of Iraq
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 9.6 percent remains one of the highest in the world for sovereign debt instruments.

**Iraqi Commercial Bond Sales**

*June 1, 2006 - January 12, 2007*

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Trading High = $73.98 (January 24)
Trading Low = $64.66 (August 30)
[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Economic Events

Grants Awarded to Support Three International Microfinance Organizations:

- The US Agency for International Development (USAID) recently awarded $9.9 million in grants to establish or to continue the development of sustainable Iraqi microfinance institutions. Microfinance firms throughout the country support lending to approximately 17,000 active clients with a total portfolio of approximately $19 million.

- USAID also helped to establish three indigenous microfinance organizations in the north, west and center of the country. USAID assisted these organizations in registering with the NGO office, awarded each a start-up grant of $250,000 in loan capital, provided staff training and individualized technical assistance, and worked with local US military civilian affairs teams, which support initial operational costs.

International Accounting Standards and Ethics Introduced Into University Curricula:

- USAID facilitated the introduction of the International Accounting Standards and Ethics course into the curriculum at eight universities throughout the country, reaching 437 students (25% female). USAID also provided procurement funds to two universities to renovate their facilities.

- Over 40,000 hours of training in the international best practices of accounting have been completed both in- and outside of universities to date.
[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Crude Oil Production

2007 Iraqi Oil Ministry Goal: 2.1 MBPD

- Weekly Average (January 8-14) of 1.72 Million Barrels Per Day (MBPD)
[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Crude Oil Export

- 2006 Revenue Estimate: $31.3 Billion
- 2007 Revenue Estimate: $0.7 Billion (Year to Date)
[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Total Critical Refined Product Supplies

- Diesel: 8.7 ML supply of 21.0 ML target
- Kerosene: 4.4 ML supply of 16.8 ML target
- Gasoline: 12.4 ML supply of 22.5 ML target
- LPG: 4,232 tons supply of 5,630 tons target

Note: This is a daily average for the week of January 8 – 14
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. (For the Week January 1-7)
Two Saddam Aides Hanged at Dawn:

- The sentences against the former head of Iraqi Intelligence and the judge of the Revolutionary Court that ordered the execution of 148 citizens of Dujail in 1982 were carried out at dawn January 15. Barzan Ibrahim al-Tikriti, Saddam's half-brother and Awad al-Bandar, former judge on Saddam's Revolutionary Court, were hanged for their roles in the Dujail killings.

- Barzan was a feared figure in Iraq at the head of the intelligence service in the 1980s. Bandar presided the Revolutionary Court which sentenced 148 Shiite men and youths to death after an assassination attempt on Saddam in the town of Dujail in 1982. Along with Saddam, they were convicted November 5 of crimes against humanity by the US-sponsored High Tribunal.
[7.] Increase International Support for Iraq – Developments

Saudi Arabia to Host Next Arab League Summit:

- Saudi Arabia's ambassador to the Arab League announced January 16 that Riyadh will host the organization's next summit March 28 and 29 in a bid to heal ethnic divisions in the region. The 22-member Arab League traditionally holds its annual summit in March in different Arab capitals.

Iraqi President Talabani Arrives in Syria:

- President Talabani became the first Iraqi head of state to visit Syria in nearly three decades when he arrived in Syria January 14 with a high-ranking delegation including interior, trade and water ministers and the chief of the State Oil Marketing Organization.

Secretary Rice Launches Consultations on Iraq in Gulf States:

- Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice participated in a number of meetings with key Gulf leaders to persuade America's Arab allies to support President Bush's new strategy for quelling violence in Iraq. Secretary Rice discussed the Iraq plan privately with Saudi Arabia's King Abdullah, and met the foreign ministers of the Gulf Cooperation Council, along with those of Egypt and Jordan, also known as the “GCC + 2” group of Arab states.
[7.] Increase International Support for Iraq – *Contributors to Iraqi Stability Operations*

Data as of January 10, 2007

**25 Countries with forces in Iraq (in addition to US)**

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

TOTAL ~ 14,138 Forces

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

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**34 Countries and NATO***

(including US)

Support Iraqi Stability Operations

*34 includes the 25 countries listed above, the US, Fiji, and seven NATO, non-MNF-I countries: Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Slovenia, Turkey*
Aides Execution Shown on Video:

- More than 13 hours after the carrying out of the sentences against two of Saddam Hussein's aides, Barzan Ibrahim al-Tikriti and Awad Hamad al-Bandar, an official video was played to a small group of Iraqi and Western reporters that showed the noose decapitating Tikriti. Officials said they would only run the silent, three-minute video once and not show it in public again.

- In order to avoid the distribution of any illicit videos – such as the ones released after the execution of Saddam Hussein – reporters attending the showing had their mobile phones taken by Iraqi security men.

- Tikriti and Bandar, who were sentenced in November for their roles in the killing of 148 Shiites in Dujail in 1982, were hanged January 15.

Iraqi Leaders Comment on President Bush’s “New Way Forward”:

- In response to President Bush’s new strategy in Iraq, Prime Minister Maliki said that the plan represents the common vision and mutual understanding between the Iraqi government and the US administration…”

- Iraqi President Jalal Talabani said that the plan “represent[s] a new point of departure for improving the security situation and are consistent and in harmony with the plans established by the Iraqi government for confronting terrorism and eliminating all types of violence and violations of the law…”
Freelance Journalist Killed:

- A local police officer said January 13 that gunmen killed an Iraqi journalist outside his home in Mosul. Khudhir Yunis, a freelance journalist working for a number of Baghdad-based newspapers, was shot dead overnight.
- Yunis, a member of the Iraqi Journalist Association in Mosul, was the fifth journalist to be killed in Mosul in the last two months.
Iraq Weekly Status – General Information

- This brief draws from multiple sources. References are cited on the following pages.

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- http://www.ft.com/cms/s/deb2bf24-a4c2-11db-b0ef-0000779e2340.html

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- POC Bob Means (202) 647-9815
- 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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- Oil Prices are sourced from Bloomberg
Employment Update:
- Information regarding the Employment Update was sourced from the IRMO Weekly Report – January 16, 2007.
- CERP has not reported figures for some time. Until they report accurate data, the number will remain at 0.
- PCO will be reporting on a bi-weekly basis.

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