A map of the Middle East region with Iraq highlighted in yellow. The surrounding countries are shown in a light tan color, and the Persian Gulf is shown in light blue. The title text is overlaid on the map.

# **Iraq Weekly Status Report**

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### **3. Help Iraqis to Forge a National Compact for Democratic Government**

Followers of Imam Ahmed al-Hassan al-Yamani, leader of a Shia Muslim messianic cult, have denied connections to the "Soldiers of Heaven" militia, which targeted top Shia leaders and pilgrims during the festival of Ashura January 28.

### **4. Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services**

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### 5. Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy

Deputy Prime Minister Salam al-Zuba'i met with a delegation from Anbar province in Baghdad January 24 to discuss means to reduce unemployment, as well as its effects on the security situation. Zuba'i said economic and agricultural projects slated to be carried out in Anbar will provide job opportunities and positively impact the security situation.

### 6. Help Iraq Strengthen the Rule of Law

The Central Criminal Court of Iraq convicted 11 security detainees January 13-18, for various crimes, including possession of illegal weapons, taking advantage of someone else's legal documents and illegal border crossing.

### 7. Increase International Support for Iraq

The Arab League's chief of mission for Iraq, Mukhtar Lamani, resigned from his position in Baghdad. The Arab League said it is determined to maintain its presence in Iraq despite Lamani's resignation.

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

The leader of Egypt's Muslim Brotherhood appealed to Sunni and Shiite religious scholars to work together to end Iraq's sectarian violence. Muhammad Mahdi Akif's statement was posted January 26 on the group's website and called on Harith al-Dhari, head of the influential Sunni Association of Muslim Scholars, and top Shiite cleric Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani to work for an end to the sectarian violence in Iraq.



## [1.] Defeat the Terrorists and Neutralize the Insurgency

### LTG Petraeus Confirmed to be New MNF-I Commander:

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- In his confirmation hearings last week, LTG Petraeus emphasized the need not only for the additional 21,500 US troops, but also for additional resources and support from all government agencies in order to carry out the mission. Petraeus stated, "if we are to carry out the Multi-National Force-Iraq mission in accordance with the new strategy, the additional forces that have been directed to move to Iraq will be essential. Greatly increased support by our government's other agencies, additional resources for reconstruction and economic initiatives, and a number of other actions are critical to what must be a broad, comprehensive, multifaceted approach to the challenges in Iraq."



## [1.] Defeat the Terrorists and Neutralize the Insurgency

### Iraqis Claim 200 Shia Cult Fighters Killed in Battle North of Najaf:

- According to media reports, Iraqi officials claim an estimated 200-400 Shia cult members were killed and more than 100 were captured in a fight between the cultists and Iraqi Security Forces (ISF) and Coalition Forces January 28-29.
- Open-source reports indicate the 24-hour fight broke out after Iraqi officials learned of a large number of heavily-armed Shiite-led cult fighters outside of Najaf and sent local ISF to investigate. US forces and Coalition air support assisted as the fight escalated, reportedly killing large numbers of enemy fighters, but also resulting in the crash of a US helicopter and the death of its two crewmen. News reports also claimed approximately ten Iraqi soldiers and policemen were killed in the fight.



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

### Iraqi Legal Authorities Trained on New Military Code:

- Nearly two dozen Iraqi military lawyers selected to be military judges and prosecutors met in Baghdad January 20 to attend a three-week course covering the new procedures for court-martials and disciplinary proceedings that are contained in the new military justice penal code and court-martial procedures that the Iraqi Parliament will soon enact.

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

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**Ministry of Interior Forces**

COMPONENT	TRAINED & EQUIPPED
POLICE	~135,000***
NATIONAL POLICE	~ 24,400
OTHER MOI FORCES	~28,900
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>~188,300**</b>

**Ministry of Defense Forces**

COMPONENT	OPERATIONAL
ARMY	~132,700***
AIR FORCE	~900
NAVY	~1,100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>~134,700**</b>

**Total Trained & Equipped ISF:**

**~323,000\*\*\*\***

- \* 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 January 22, 2007 (updated bi-weekly by DOD)



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

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#### Militia Targets Shia Religious Leaders and Pilgrims Near Najaf:

- Iraqi officials claimed January 29 that over 200 militants were killed in a battle between US-backed Iraqi troops and a religious group allegedly plotting to kill Shia religious leaders and pilgrims during a festival celebrating Ashura.
- Iraqi government spokesman Ali al-Dabbagh said the raid was targeting a predominantly Shia group called the Jund al-Samaa, or Soldiers of Heaven, which aims to clear Iraq of temporal leaders in order to hasten the return of the Mahdi, a messianic figure in Islam.

#### Mayor and Police Fired in Diyala:

- Approximately 1,500 police officers in Iraq's Diyala Governorate and the mayor of the provincial capital, Baquba, have been fired. Provincial police chief Ghanim al-Qurayshi said January 28 that the officers fled rather than fight when Baquba was attacked by insurgents in November 2006.
- Qurayshi also said Mayor Khalid al-Sinjari was suspected of collaborating with Sunni insurgents. Qurayshi took over police operations in Diyala after his predecessor was fired in December 2006.



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

#### Arab League Envoy to Baghdad Resigns:

- The Arab League envoy to Baghdad, Mukhtar Lamani submitted a letter of resignation to the Secretary General of the Arab League January 22. He cited widening divisions among the Iraqi people and the lack of a regional consensus on how to end the conflict as reasons for his departure.
- Lamani, a Moroccan, was one of the few Arab diplomats working in Baghdad, with most ambassadors from other nations performing their duties from the Jordanian capital of Amman. He was appointed in March 2006 by Arab foreign ministers with a mission of aiding national reconciliation efforts in Iraq.
- Although Lamani has resigned, the Arab League is determined to keep its presence in Baghdad. Arab League Secretary General Amr Musa said he is looking into several names to replace Lemani.
- An Arab League national reconciliation conference following up on a similar meeting held in Cairo in November 2005 has been continuously delayed.



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

<b>Deputy President</b> Tariq al-Hashimi	<b>President</b> Jalal Talabani	<b>Deputy President</b> 'Adil 'Abd al-Mahdi
<b>Deputy Prime Minister</b> Barham Salih	<b>Prime Minister</b> Nuri al-Maliki	<b>Deputy Prime Minister</b> Salam al-Zawba'i

(F) = Female

<b>Minister of Agriculture</b> Ya'rub Nathim	<b>Minister of Communications</b> Muhammad Tawfiq Allawi	<b>Minister of Culture</b> As'ad Kamal Muhammad Abdallah al-Hashimi	<b>Minister of Defense</b> Abdul Qadir Muhammed Jasim	<b>Minister of Displacement &amp; Migration</b> Abd al-Samad Rahman Sultan	<b>Minister of Electricity</b> Karim Wahid
<b>Minister of Education</b> Khudayyir al-Khuza'i	<b>Minister of Environment</b> Narmin 'Uthman (F)	<b>Minister of Finance</b> Bayan Jabr	<b>Minister of Foreign Affairs</b> Hoshiyar Zebari	<b>Minister of Health</b> Ali al-Shammari	<b>Minister of Higher Education</b> Abd Dhiyab al-Ajili
<b>Minister of Human Rights</b> Wijdan Mikha'il (F)	<b>Minister of Industry &amp; Minerals</b> Fawzi al-Hariri	<b>Minister of Interior</b> Jawad al-Bulani	<b>Minister of Justice</b> Hashim al-Shibli	<b>Minister of Housing &amp; Construction</b> Bayan Daza'l (F)	<b>Minister of Labor &amp; Social Affairs</b> Mahmud Muhammad Jawad al-Radi
<b>Minister of Oil</b> Husayn al-Shahristani	<b>Minister of Planning</b> Ali Baban	<b>Minister of Trade</b> Abd al-Falah al-Sudani	<b>Minister of Science &amp; Technology</b> Ra'id Fahmi Jahid	<b>Minister of Municipalities &amp; Public Works</b> Riyad Ghurayyib	<b>Minister of Transportation</b> Karim Mahdi Salih
<b>Minister of Water Resources</b> 'Abd al-Latif Rashid	<b>Minister of Youth &amp; Sports</b> Jasim Muhammad Ja'far	<b>Minister of State for Civil Society</b> Adil al-Asadi	<b>Minister of State for National Dialogue Affairs</b> Akram al-Hakim	<b>Minister of State for National Security Affairs</b> Shirwan al-Waili	
<b>Minister of State for Foreign Affairs</b> Rafi Hiyad al-Isawi	<b>Minister of State for Governorates Affairs</b> Sa'd Tahir Abd Khalaf al-Hashimi	<b>Minister of State for Tourism and Antiquities</b> Liwa Sumaysim	<b>Minister of State for Women's Affairs</b> Fatin Abd al-Rahman Mahmud (F)	<b>Minister of State for CoR Affairs</b> 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		
	Apportion	Last Week	Current	Change	Last Week	Current	Change	Last Week	Current	Change
Security and Law Enforcement	\$5,002.59	\$4,988.66	\$4,988.17	(\$0.49)	\$4,986.19	\$4,986.19	\$0.00	\$4,715.92	\$4,716.47	\$0.56
Electricity Sector	\$4,239.51	\$4,222.70	\$4,224.34	\$1.64	\$4,079.16	\$4,080.91	\$1.75	\$3,016.61	\$3,029.57	\$12.95
Oil Infrastructure	\$1,724.70	\$1,678.03	\$1,678.03	\$0.00	\$1,584.47	\$1,584.47	\$0.00	\$1,318.17	\$1,318.28	\$0.12
Justice, Public Safety and Civil Society	\$1,304.15	\$1,303.93	\$1,303.93	\$0.00	\$1,297.72	\$1,297.72	\$0.00	\$981.13	\$982.42	\$1.28
Democracy	\$1,001.85	\$1,001.71	\$1,001.74	\$0.03	\$1,001.71	\$1,001.74	\$0.03	\$893.05	\$893.61	\$0.55
Education, Refugees, Human Rights, Governance	\$401.50	\$401.33	\$401.26	(\$0.08)	\$401.33	\$401.26	(\$0.08)	\$343.90	\$354.55	\$10.65
Roads, Bridges and Construction	\$333.60	\$331.94	\$331.95	\$0.00	\$325.84	\$324.59	(\$1.26)	\$209.56	\$209.55	(\$0.01)
Health Care	\$818.90	\$817.57	\$817.61	\$0.04	\$801.69	\$801.76	\$0.07	\$614.47	\$621.37	\$6.90
Transportation and Communications	\$464.12	\$464.11	\$464.11	\$0.00	\$458.23	\$458.30	\$0.068	\$339.70	\$339.69	(\$0.01)
Water Resources and Sanitation	\$2,131.08	\$2,121.16	\$2,119.78	(\$1.38)	\$2,049.75	\$2,048.37	(\$1.38)	\$1,436.47	\$1,444.08	\$7.61
Private Sector Development	\$813.95	\$813.91	\$813.95	\$0.04	\$813.91	\$813.95	\$0.04	\$764.90	\$765.96	\$1.06
Admin Expense (USAID, STATE)	\$213.00	\$212.45	\$212.45	\$0.00	\$212.45	\$212.45	\$0.00	\$164.05	\$164.24	\$0.19
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$18,448.95</b>	<b>\$18,357.52</b>	<b>\$18,357.33</b>	<b>(\$0.19)</b>	<b>\$18,012.46</b>	<b>\$18,011.71</b>	<b>(\$0.74)</b>	<b>\$14,797.93</b>	<b>\$14,839.79</b>	<b>\$41.85</b>
IRRF II Construction		\$10,573.40	\$10,573.21	(\$0.19)	\$10,250.09	\$10,249.35	(\$0.75)	\$8,027.37	\$8,053.62	\$26.25
IRRF II Non-Construction		\$6,782.41	\$6,782.38	(\$0.03)	\$6,760.65	\$6,760.62	(\$0.03)	\$5,877.51	\$5,892.56	\$15.05
IRRF II Democracy		\$1,001.71	\$1,001.74	\$0.03	\$1,001.71	\$1,001.74	\$0.03	\$893.05	\$893.61	\$0.55
<b>IRRF I Total</b>	<b>\$2,473.30</b>	<b>\$2,473.30</b>	<b>\$2,473.30</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$2,232.3</b>	<b>\$2,232.3</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$2,139.00</b>	<b>\$2,139.0</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Grand Total IRRF I &amp; II</b>	<b>\$20,922.25</b>	<b>\$20,830.82</b>	<b>\$20,830.63</b>	<b>(\$0.19)</b>	<b>\$20,244.76</b>	<b>\$20,244.01</b>	<b>(\$0.74)</b>	<b>\$16,936.93</b>	<b>\$16,978.79</b>	<b>\$41.85</b>

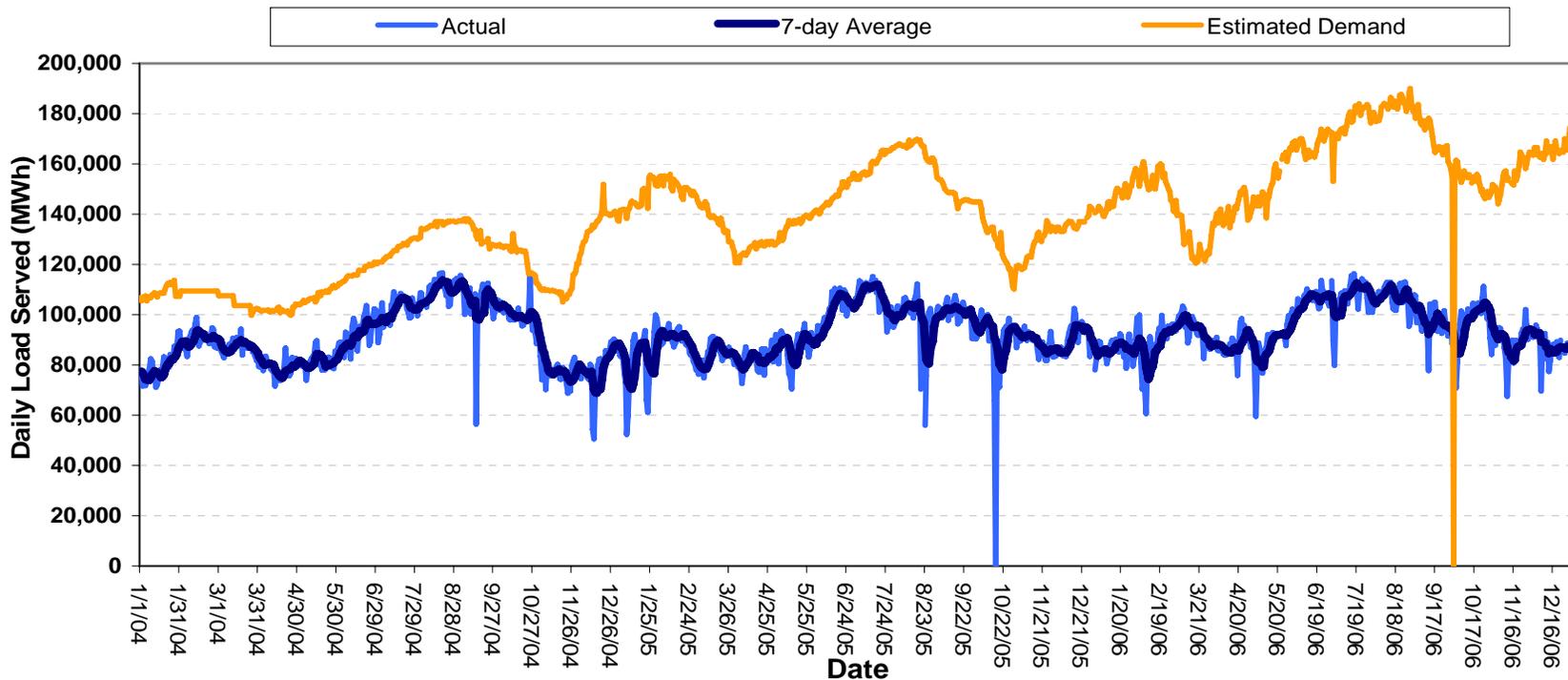
As of January 30, 2007



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

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### Daily Electricity Supplied and Estimated Demand in Iraq Since January 2004



- During the week of January 25-31 electricity availability averaged 4.6 hours per day in Baghdad and 8.4 hours nationwide. Electricity output for the week was 6% below the same period in 2005.



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

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### Water:

- The recently completed US Army-funded Hamdan RO Compact Unit in the Governorate of Basrah provides domestic drinking water to more than 30,000 residents of Hamdan Village of Abu al-Khasib district.
- The Iraq Minister of Water Resources met with his counterparts in the Ministry of Irrigation in Syria last week to discuss bilateral and regional cooperation on trans-boundary water issues. During the meetings, Ministry of Water Resources representatives reviewed data on the releases from Syria and confirmed that Syria had complied with its obligation to release to Iraq 58% of the flows received at their border with Turkey. The two countries also discussed the proposed construction of a large irrigation pump station near the Iraq border on the Euphrates River; the pump station will have a capacity of 100 cubic meters per second to be used to ultimately irrigate 400,000 hectares.
- During the meeting, the Ministry of Water Resources also requested water quality data from Syria. The two countries agreed to continue bilateral discussions under a pre-existing coordination committee established in 1989 to discuss issues, such as the proposed irrigation pump station and regional coordination efforts with Turkey.



## [4.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – **Communications and Electricity**

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### Communications:

- Throughout Iraq, insurgents have attacked water and electricity plants to spread chaos and disrupt progress, but they have allowed the communications sector to rebuild - primarily because they rely on mobile phones to plan their attacks.

### Electricity:

- The recently completed US Army-funded Tuz Power Network Rehabilitation Project in Tuz, Salah ad-Din province provides electrical power generation for area residents through its local power distribution network.



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

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Oil Update:

- Crude oil price averages in world markets for the week ending January 26 closed with the following prices:
  - Basrah Light at \$47.32/barrel
  - Dated Brent at \$55.57/barrel
  - WTI Cushing at \$53.10/barrel
  - Oman/Dubai at \$50.95/barrel

Employment Update:

Iraqi Employment Per Organization	Iraqis Last Week	Iraqis This Week	% change
Gulf Region District (GRD)	32,424	32,485	0.19%
US Agency for International Development (USAID)	34,066	36,116	6.02%
Commander's Emergency Response Program (CERP) <sup>2</sup>	885	4,118	365.31%
Multi-National Security Transition Command-Iraq (MNSTC-I)	10,506	11,857	12.86%
Iraq Reconstruction Relief Fund (IRRF) Non-Construction	6,415	6,496	1.26%
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>84,296</b>	<b>91,072</b>	<b>8.04%</b>

CERP employment numbers are representative of Baghdad only.

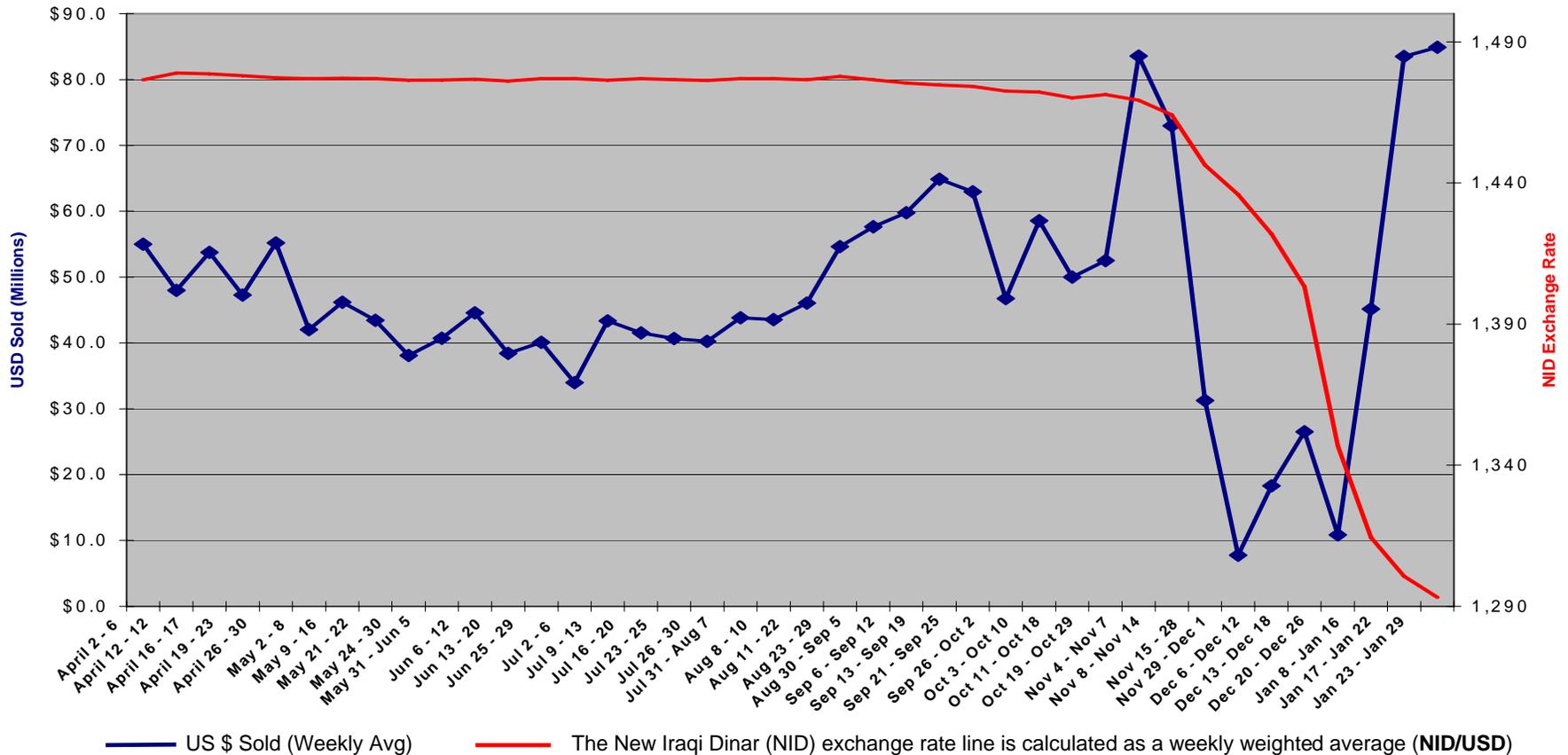


## [5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy - Banking Sector

### 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 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  
USD Currency Auction: April 2, 2006 – January 29, 2006**



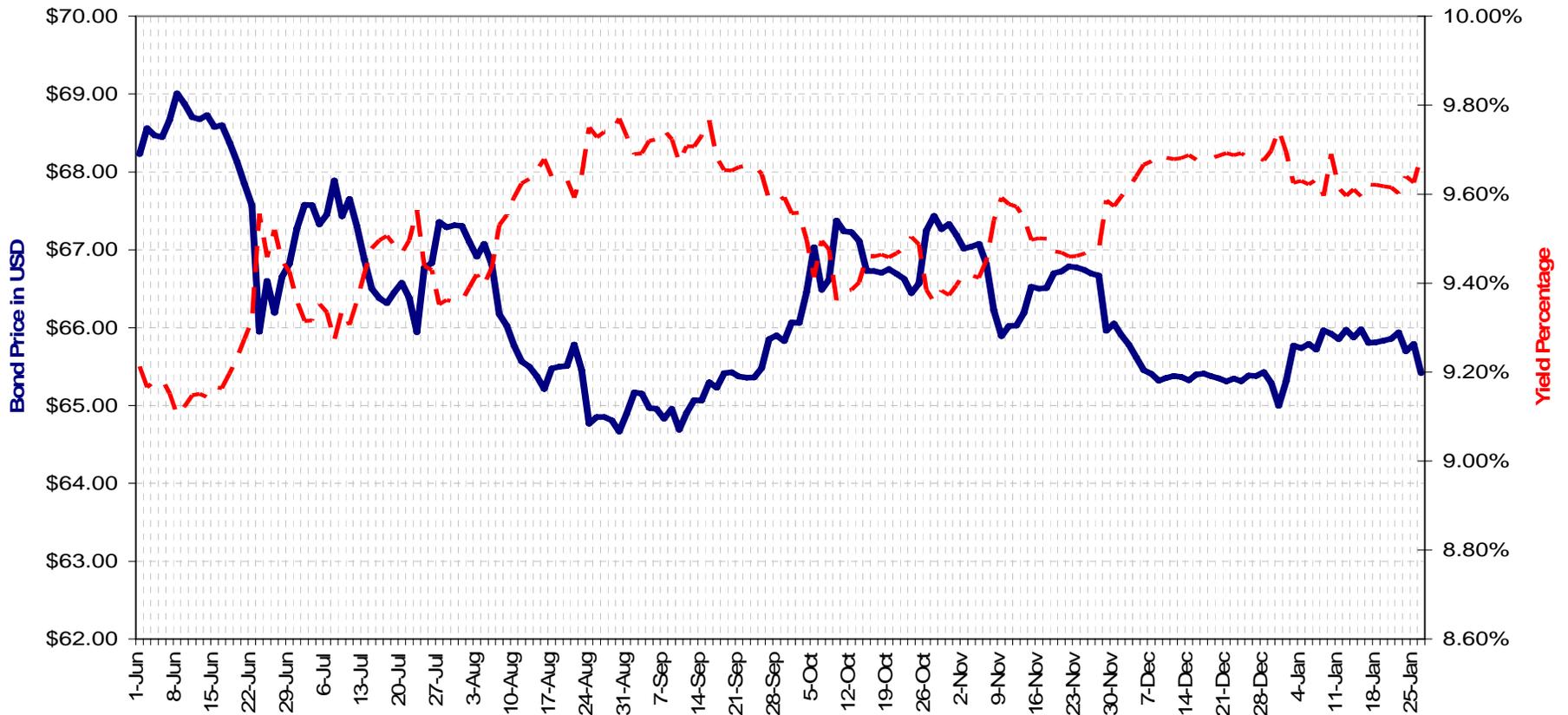


## [5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Securities Markets

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

**Iraqi Commercial Bond Sales**  
June 1, 2006 - January 26, 2007



Trading High = \$73.98 (January 24)

Trading Low = \$64.66 (August 30)



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

### Syria and Iraq Sign Economic Minutes:

- Syrian Minister of Trade and Economy Amr Husni Lutfi and Iraqi Minister of Trade Abd al-Falah al-Sudani signed the discussion minutes held between the Syrian and Iraq sides to enhance the fraternal ties connecting the two countries, particularly in the economic domain. Discussions concentrated on the economic cooperation through trade exchange and oil transportation.

### Iraq Women in Business Conference:

- On January 25, USAID's Izdihar Private Sector Development Project organized the "Women in Business Conference: A promise for Economic Progress" at the al-Rasheed Hotel in the International Zone. Over 60 women representing NGOs, businesses and government agencies engaged in lively discussions of issues facing Iraqi women entrepreneurs, such as access to small business loans, NGO registration processes, gender equality, business planning, and microfinance.
- One of the conference highlights was the presentation by the Executive Director of the Izdihar-supported Small Business Development Center in Hillah, an Iraqi businesswoman, who shared the experience of running a business association that provides consulting and training for local businesses. USAID's Izdihar project supports five Small Business Development Centers throughout Iraq.



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

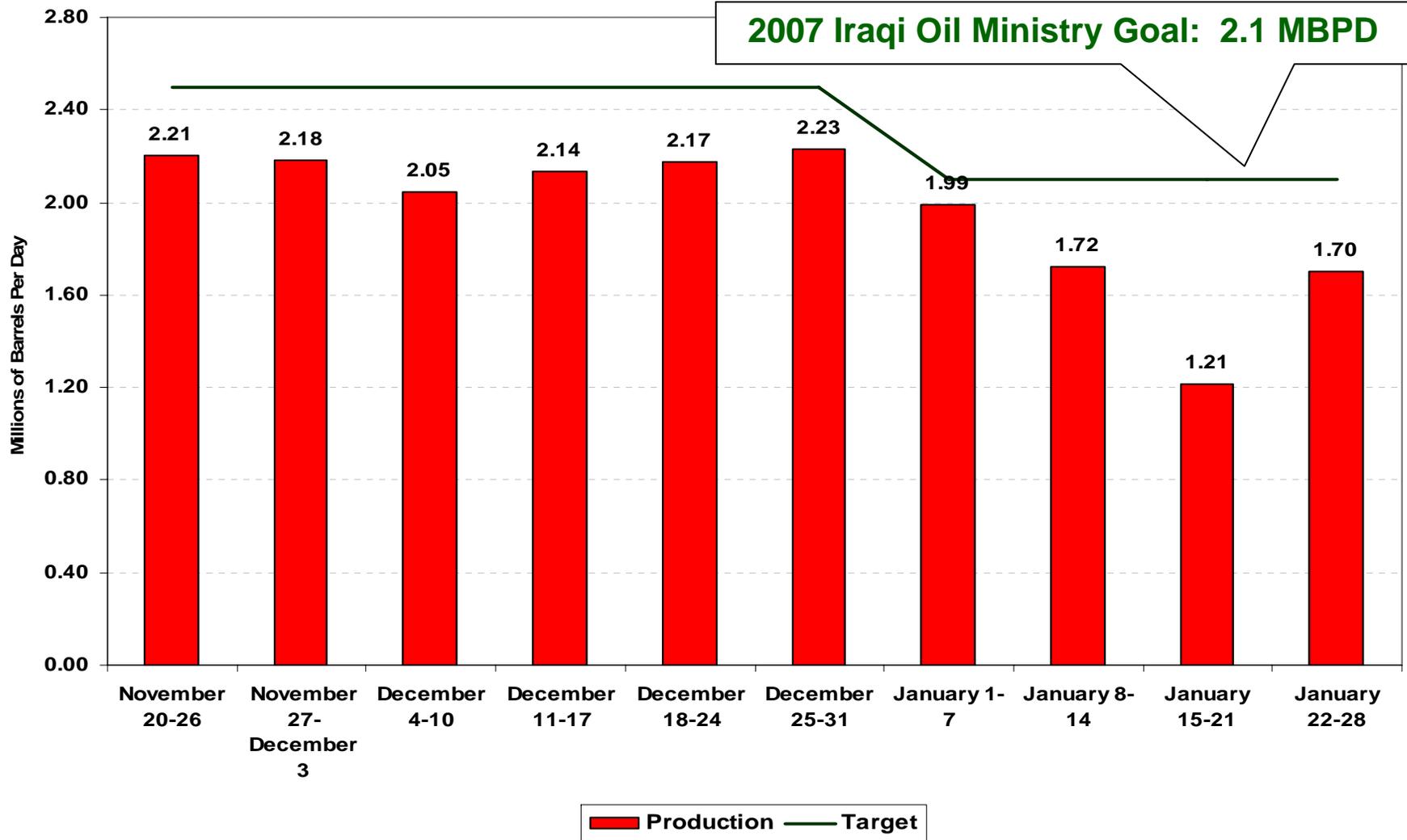
### Task Force for Business and Stability Operations in Iraq:

- The Department of Defense (DoD) has created a Task Force for Business & Stability Operations in Iraq focusing on three objectives to support the creation of jobs and economic activity in Iraq: 1) Shifting DoD procurement in Iraq to buy more local products; 2) Helping Iraqi firms link with potential US and international firms; 3) Examining the prospects of reviving Iraqi State-Owned Enterprises and private-sector businesses.



# [5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Crude Oil Production

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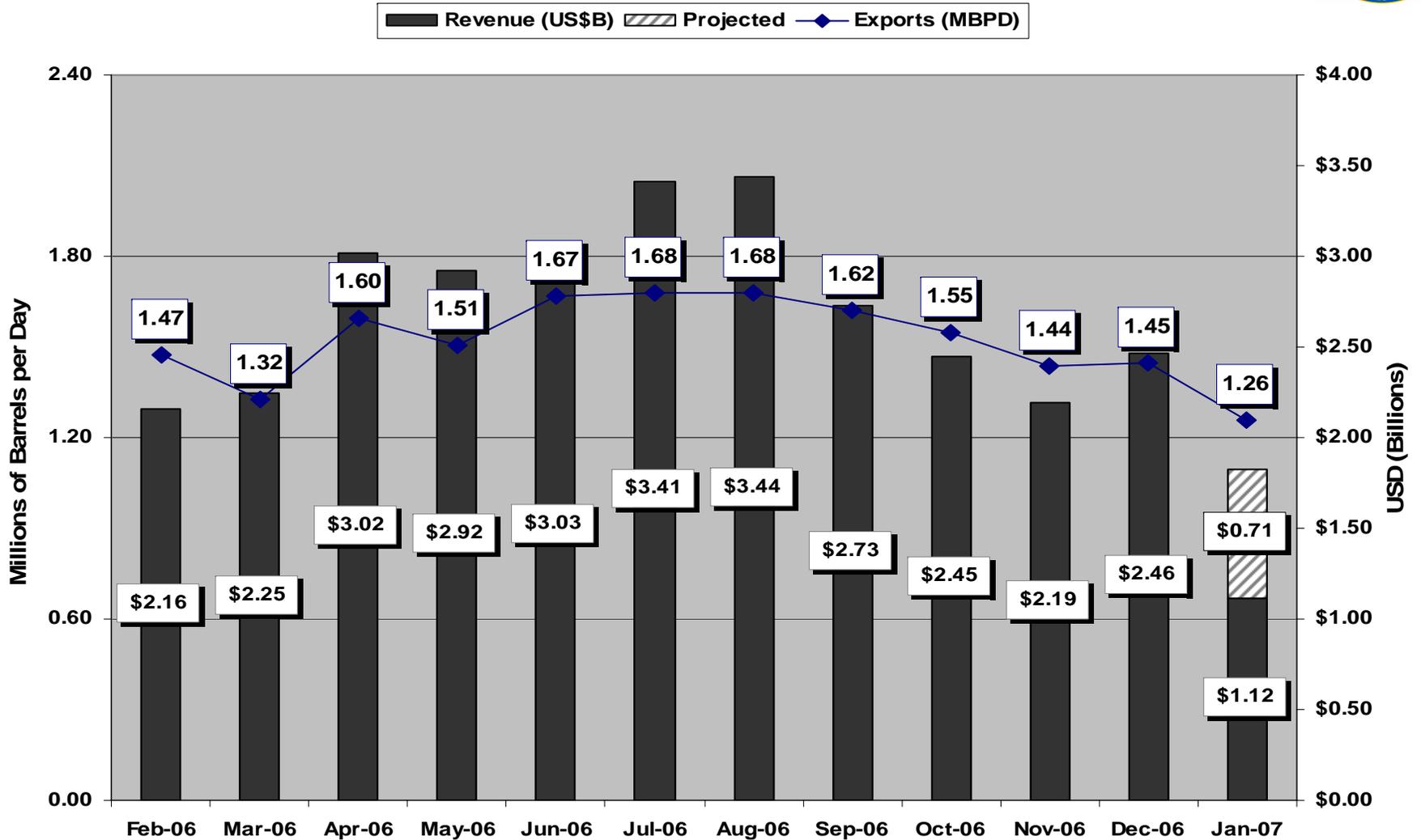


- Weekly Average (January 22-28) of 1.70 Million Barrels Per Day (MBPD)



# [5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Crude Oil Export

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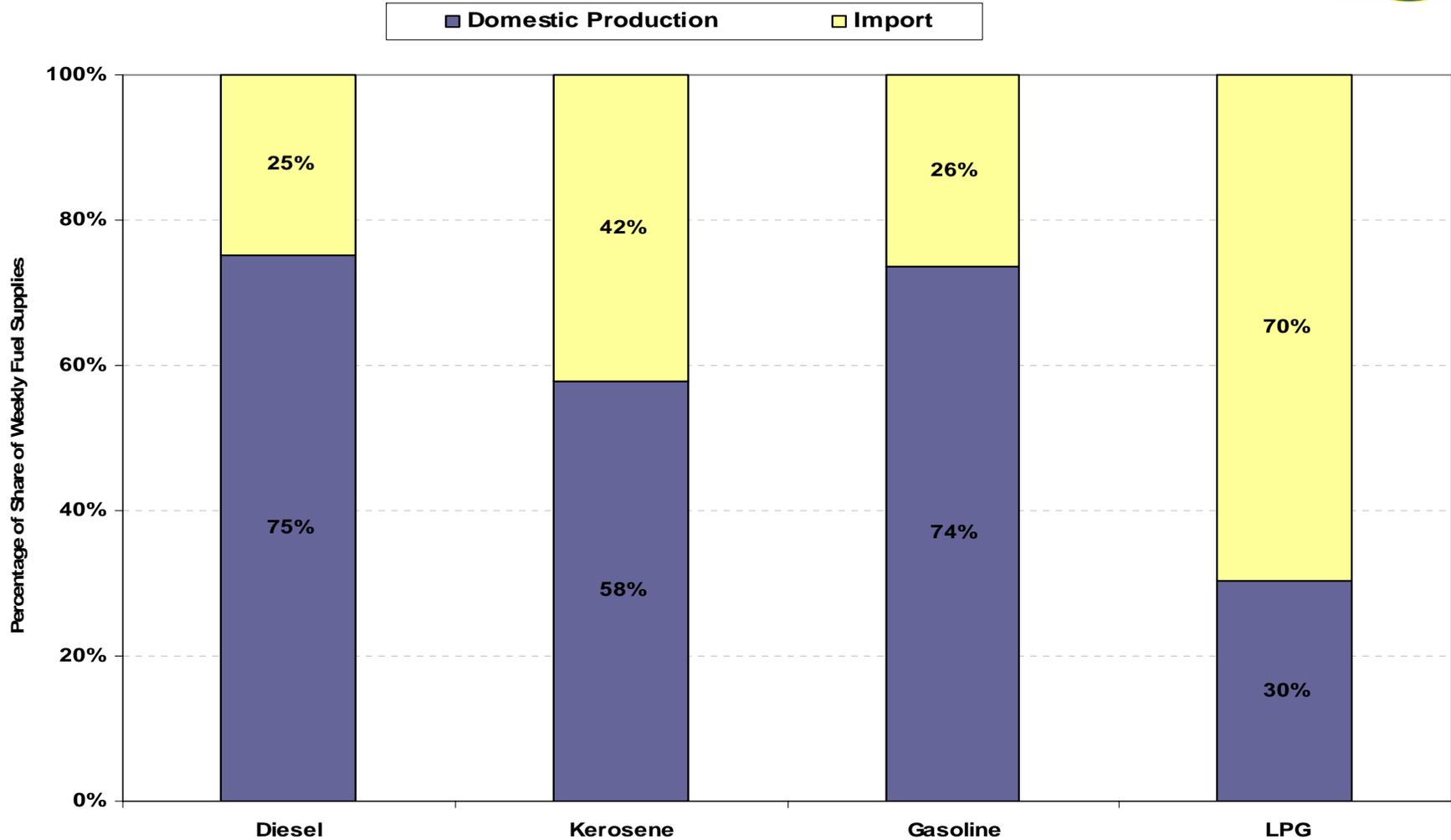


- 2006 Revenue Estimate: \$31.3 Billion
- 2007 Revenue Estimate: \$1.1 Billion (Year to Date)



# [5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Total Critical Refined Product Supplies

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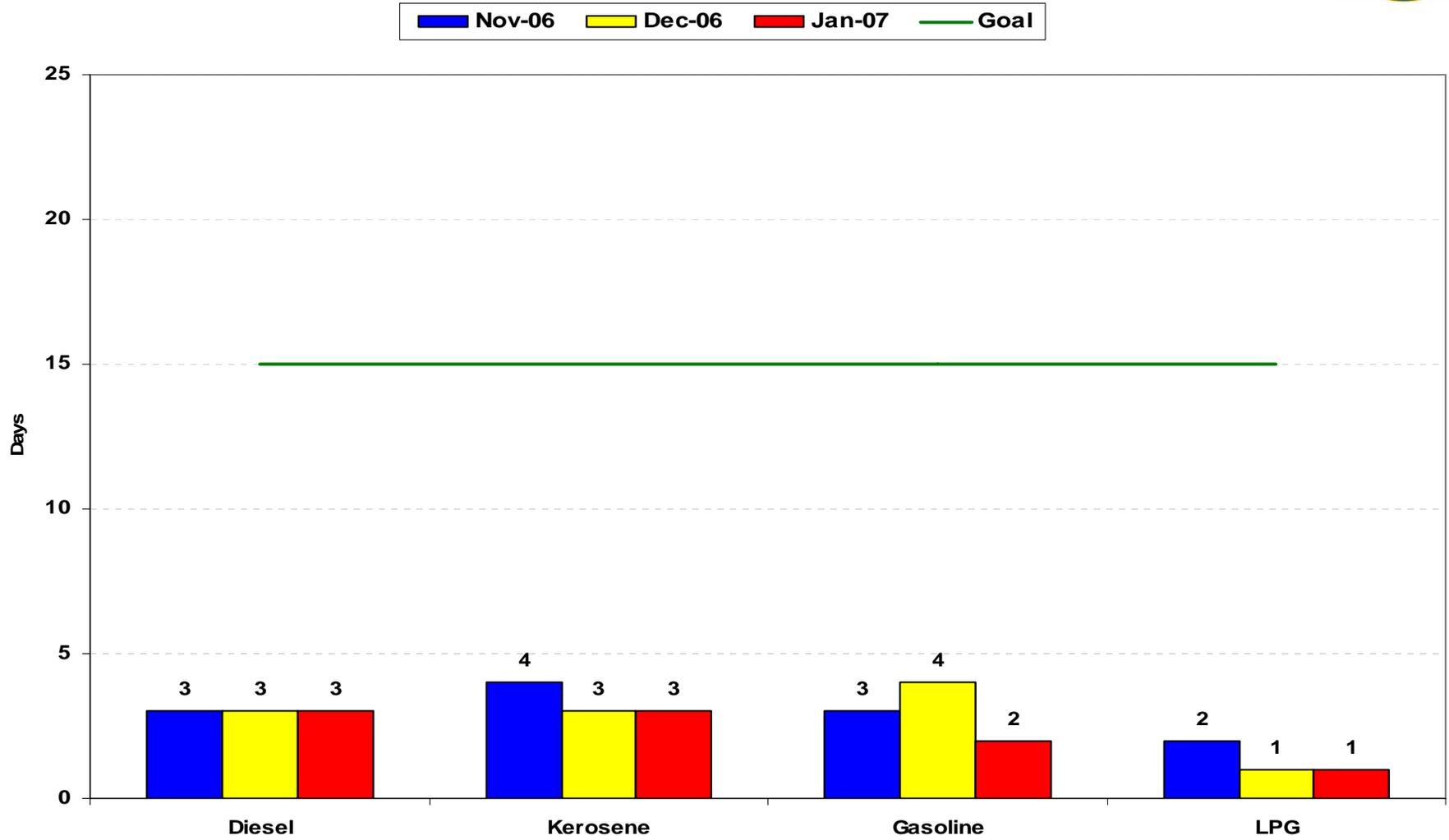
Note: This is a daily average for the week of January 22 – 28

- Diesel: 10.6 ML supply of 21.0 ML target
- Kerosene: 4.8 ML supply of 16.8 ML target
- Gasoline: 8.0 ML supply of 22.5 ML target
- LPG: 4,086 tons supply of 5,630 tons target



# [5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – National Stock Levels

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- 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

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### CCCI Convicts 11 Insurgents:

- The Central Criminal Court of Iraq convicted 11 security detainees January 13-18, for various crimes including possession of illegal weapons, taking advantage of someone else’s legal documents and illegal border crossing.
- The trial court found one Iraqi man guilty of illegal possession of special category weapons in violation of Order 3/2003. Multi-National Forces (MNF) conducted a raid of the defendant’s compound near Tameem, Iraq. MNF searched the buildings and found numerous explosives, including 35 pounds of ammonium nitrate. On January 15, the trial panel sentenced him to 15 years imprisonment.

### Iraqis Get Ideas From S.C. Prisons:

- Iraqi prison officials looking to rebuild their nation's jail system toured a South Carolina state prison January 29, gathering ideas - including electronic door locks and an onsite license plate plant - to take back to Iraq.
- A delegation that included US Justice Department officials and their Iraqi counterparts visited the maximum security Broad River Correctional Institution, where the Iraqis watched inmates make South Carolina license plates and traffic signs. Iraqi prisoners don't have a place to work, one visitor said through an interpreter. The plant enables an inmate “to help himself and his family. We can have productive inmates, not just consumer inmates,” said the warden of a Nasiriya prison, whose name was withheld by the Justice Department for his own safety. The group was also interested in the prison's security system, which includes electronically locking doors and video monitoring.



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

### Arab League's Chief of Mission in Baghdad Resigns:

- The Arab League's chief of mission for Iraq, Mukhtar Lamani, resigned from his position in Baghdad. The Arab League said it is determined to maintain its presence in Iraq despite Lamani's resignation.

### UN Envoy Calls on Iraq's Neighbors to Assist Iraq:

- UN Special Envoy to Iraq Ashraf Qazi called upon neighboring countries of Iraq to help improve the security situation in Iraq, saying that "It is very important that neighboring countries of Iraq lend a helping hand to improve the situation there."

### Iraq Receives the Credentials of Three Replacement Ambassadors:

- Derya Kambay has been named the Turkish Ambassador to Iraq. Vladimir Chamov was named the Ambassador of the Russian Federation to Iraq and Ihor Dia Chenko was named the Ambassador of the Republic of Ukraine to the Iraq.



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

Data as of January 17, 2007

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

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

**TOTAL ~ 14,650 Forces**

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

**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

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

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### Muslim Brotherhood Leaders Calls for End to Violence:

- The leader of Egypt’s Muslim Brotherhood appealed to Sunni and Shiite religious scholars to work together to end Iraq’s sectarian violence. Mohammed Mahdi Akef’s statement was posted January 26 on the group’s website and called on Harith al-Dhari, head of the influential Sunni Association of Muslim Scholars, and top Shiite cleric Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani to work for an end to the sectarian violence in Iraq.

### Prime Minister Speaks to CNN:

- During a television interview with CNN today, Prime Minister Maliki said that Iraq only needed a slight increase of US troops in Iraq to help end the violence there. He did not, however, specify a number.



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