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 text is overlaid on the map.

Iraq Weekly Status Report

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Highlights

1. Defeat the Terrorists and Neutralize the Insurgents

- Coalition and Iraqi security forces continued to disrupt al Qaeda in Iraq terrorist and foreign-fighter activities during more than 450 combined Iraqi and Coalition operations throughout the country November 26 through December 2.

2. Transition Iraq to Security Self-Reliance

- The Iraqi Government took an important step in stopping the flow of foreign fighters and illegal weapons this week when it declared initial control of its borders in a formal ceremony in Hasaybah, Iraq . The ceremony showed the cooperative efforts on the part of Iraq's Ministry of Defense and Interior.

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

- The Independent Electoral Commission of Iraq (IECI) has publicized the lists of Council of Representatives candidates in preparation for the December 15 election.

4. Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services

- A November agreement between the Iraqi Ministry of Electricity and the US government will give Southern Iraq more electricity through two new projects: a new electrical substation in Najaf and a reconstructed power line in Basrah. The \$16.7 million agreement represents the first such initiative in which Iraqi leaders will take the helm.



Highlights

5. Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy

- The Transitional National Assembly passed the Iraqi Government's 2006 budget on December 4.

6. Help Iraq Strengthen the Rule of Law

- The trial of Saddam Hussein resumed on December 5. During his court appearance Saddam was cited by news reports as defiantly expressing his disapproval with the trial process.

7. Increase International Support for Iraq

- According to press reports, the Japanese government's ruling political coalition will extend the mandate of its forces to remain in Iraq, following a December 5 call to do so by visiting Iraqi Prime Minister Ibrahim Ja'afari.

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

- President George W. Bush addressed a meeting of the Council on Foreign Relations on December 7, speaking on the war on terror and the rebuilding of Iraq.



[1.] Defeat the Terrorists and Neutralize the Insurgency

Operation Rams Kicks Off:

- Approximately 100 Iraqi Army Soldiers from 3rd Battalion, 3rd Brigade, 1st Iraqi Division and 400 Soldiers from the 2/28 Brigade Combat Team, launched Operation Rams (Tallie) in Ramadi on December 4. Operation Rams is the sixth in a series of disruption operations conducted by the Iraqi Army and Coalition Forces in order to neutralize the insurgency and set the conditions for a successful December 15 election in the Al Anbar provincial capital city of Ar Ramadi.

Iraqi Security Forces Operation Review:

- Coalition and Iraqi security forces continued to disrupt al Qaeda in Iraq terrorist and foreign-fighter activities during more than 450 company-level combined operations throughout the country November 26 through December 2. Approximately fifty percent of the combat operations conducted this past week throughout the Iraqi theatre of operation were combined Coalition and Iraqi security force operations, while another 21 percent were independent Iraqi security force operations.



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

Government Officials Declare Initial Control of Iraq's Borders:

- The Iraqi Government took an important step in stopping the flow of foreign fighters and illegal weapons this week when they declared initial control of the borders in a formal ceremony in Hasaybah, Iraq. The ceremony showed the cooperative efforts on the part of Iraq's Ministry of Defense and Interior. The event highlighted the increasing presence of the Iraqi border forces and the progress made in providing the citizens of Iraq with a safe and secure environment.

Iraqi Air Force Flies First Solo Mission:

- This week, a six-man crew from Iraq's Air Force flew a C-130 Hercules mission to Baghdad without Coalition advisory support team assistance. The Iraqi Air Force transport squadron stood up January 14 with three C-130s given by the United States. The Iraqi air crew began their training in the US in 2005.



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

Ministry of Interior Forces

COMPONENT	TRAINED & EQUIPPED
POLICE	~75,000
HIGHWAY PATROL	
OTHER MOI FORCES	~37,000
TOTAL	~112,000*

Ministry of Defense Forces

COMPONENT	OPERATIONAL
ARMY	~101,000
AIR FORCE	~200
NAVY	~800
TOTAL	~102,000**

Total Trained & Equipped ISF:
~214,000

* 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

Data as of November 30, 2005 (updated bi-weekly by DOD)



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

Iraqis Conduct Voter-Education Vote Monitoring:

- The Civic Coalition for Free Elections (CCFE), a non-partisan Iraqi movement of 76 civic organizations from across the country, has stepped up educating Iraqis about the upcoming elections and the importance of voting. The group recently printed and distributed over 200,000 posters (one design per province) and 200,000 copies of elections pamphlet that detail the new multi-district electoral system. Pamphlets on party platforms (300,000 copies) and ballot fliers (one per province, 400,000 total) also went to print. CCFE has also developed four television spots and a newspaper ad that will be sent to media outlets this week.

Civic Group Holds Constitutional Amendment Conference:

- An Iraqi civic group recently held a conference entitled *Participate....Protect Your Future*. The conference, supported by the International Republican Institute and USAID, brought together more than 90 representatives of civil groups, political parties, and government ministries to discuss and advocate for changes in the constitution. The conference focused on proposed changes to Article 39 (dealing with personal statutes) and called for amendments obliging Iraq to respect international agreements on human rights and new laws ensuring that women hold decision making positions. The event received strong local and international media attention.



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

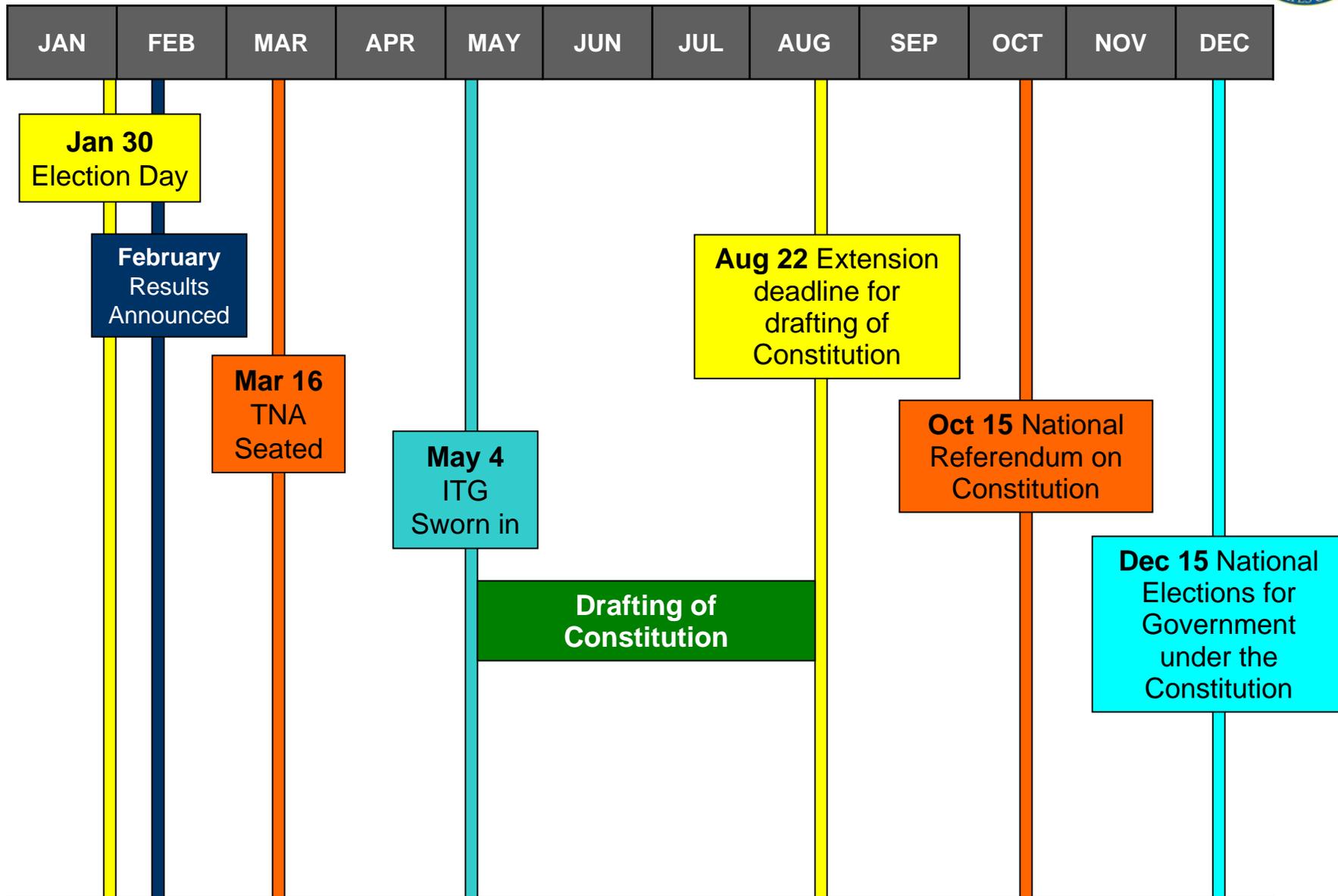
EIN Election Monitors Update:

- The Iraqi Election Information Network (EIN) has announced plans to deploy up to 15,000 election monitors for the December 15 parliamentary elections with support from USAID and the National Democratic Institute.
- EIN will also deploy three types of monitors throughout Iraq, including:
 - Grassroots Monitors: more than 12,000 individuals will monitor their own local areas, about which they are most familiar.
 - Cross-Governorate Monitors: nearly 1,400 individuals will observe elections outside of their governorate of residence, but within their region.
 - Cross Regional Monitors: nearly 1,400 individuals will travel to a different region of Iraq where monitors are even less likely to have local ties.



[3.] Help Iraqis to Forge a National Compact for Democratic Government— **Electoral Process Timeline**

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

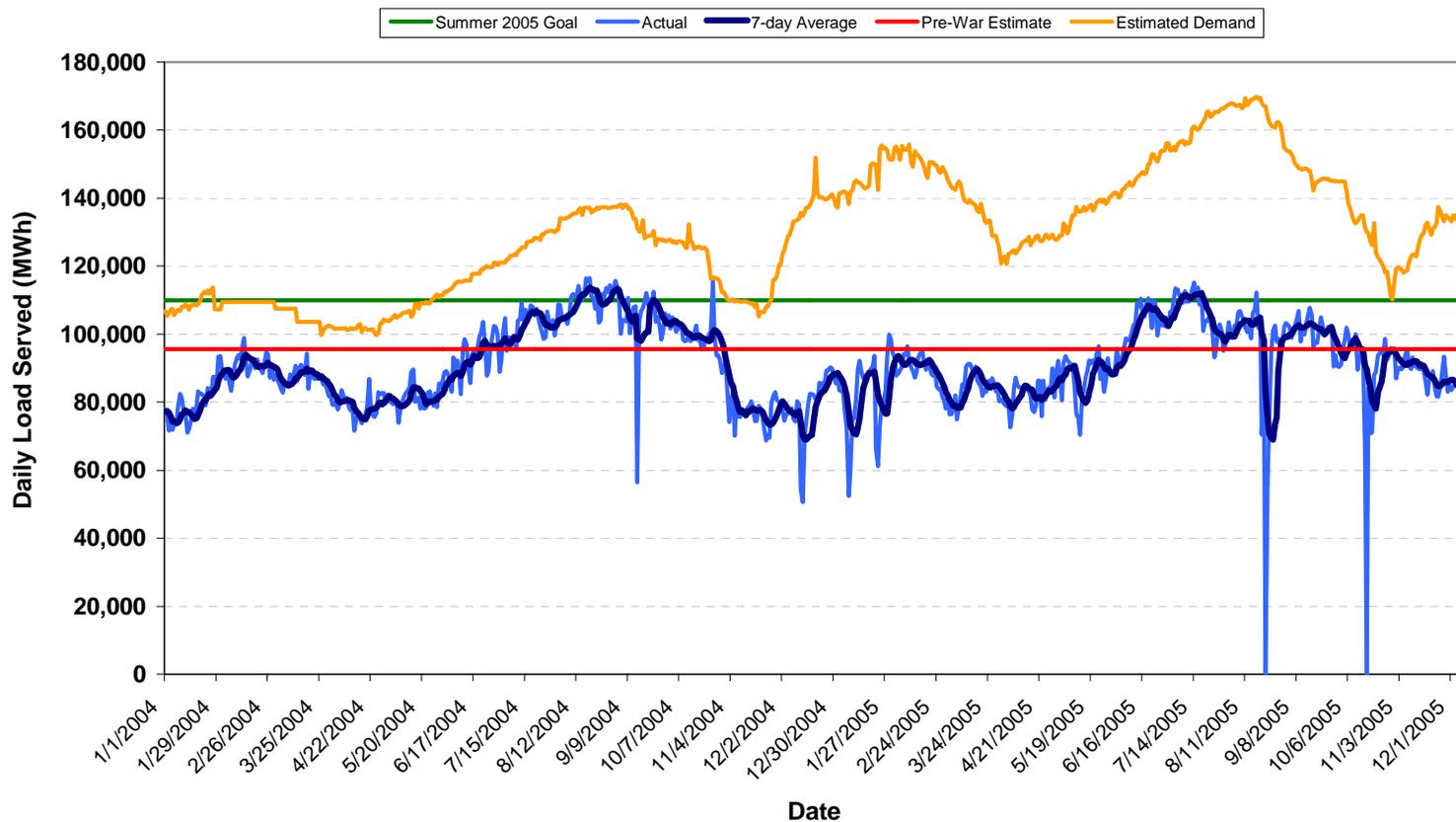
			President Jalal Talabani		
	Deputy President Sheikh Ghazi al-Yawr			Deputy President 'Adil 'Abd al-Mahdi	
			Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Ja'fari		
Deputy Prime Minister Rawsh Shaways	Deputy Prime Minister 'Abd Mutlak al-Juburi			Deputy Prime Minister Ahmad al-Chalabi	Deputy Prime Minister Vacant
Minister 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 Shallash
Minister of Education Abdul Mun'im al-Falah Hasan	Minister of Environment Narmin 'Uthman (F)	Minister of Finance 'Ali 'Allawi	Minister of Foreign Affairs Hoshiyar 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 Transportation Salam al-Maliki
Minister of Water Resources 'Abd al-Latif Rashid	Minister of Youth & Sports Talib Aziz al-Zaini	Minister of State for Civil Society 'Ala' abib Kazim	Minister of State for National Assembly Affairs Safa' al-Din al-Safi	Minister of State for National Security Affairs 'Abd al-Karim al-'Anzi	
	Minister of State for Provinces Sa'd al-Hardan	Minister of State for Tourism and Antiquities Hashim al-Hashimi	Minister of State for Women's Affairs Azhar al-Shaykhli (F)		

(F) = Female



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

Daily Electricity Supplied and Estimated Demand in Iraq Since January 2004



- Increased transmission line interdiction, scheduled maintenance of power plants and unplanned outages of Baghdad-area plants have resulted in a drop in hours of power to Baghdad.
- Service in Baghdad averaged 5.3 hours per day in the last week (29 November – 5 December), while the nationwide average was 11.6 hours.
- Demand leveled in the last week with temperatures stabilizing in the low 60s °F.



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

Electricity:

- Khor Al Zubair Power Plant – Unit Six successfully completed first fire on December 3. The project involves the installation of two new gas fired generator units, which will add around 230 megawatts to the grid.
- Under the Rapid Contracting Initiative (RCI), 198 electrical distribution projects have been awarded, 91 have commenced and 59 projects have been completed. The RCI is a \$550 million program that uses direct contracts with local Iraqi firms to undertake electrical distribution projects across Iraq.
- Under the Direct Contracting Initiative (DCI): 15 transmission projects have been awarded or are underway and seven are yet to be awarded. The DCI is a \$300 million program that uses direct contracts with local Iraqi firms to undertake electrical transmission projects across Iraq.

Water and Sanitation:

- More than 60,000 residents in the village of Tamurat and Iraqi personnel from Al-Kasik Military Training Base have more reliable drinking water after repairs were completed on 16.7 miles of pipe and a water compact unit at Aski Mosul.



[4.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – **Health Care, Telecommunication and Education**

Health Care:

- Construction is 91 percent complete for a \$653,000 Primary Healthcare Center (PHC) project in Rusafa, Baghdad Province. This project started October 31, 2004 and is expected to be completed on December 26. This facility will have the capacity to provide medical and dental examinations and treatment to 150 patients daily. This is one of 29 ongoing PHC projects programmed in Baghdad Province.
- The new distribution plan for medical equipment on the Open Distribution List is going better than expected. The MNF-I Surgeon's Office stepped in to assist due to the Iraqi Ministry of Health's limited warehousing and delivery capacity. In October, only \$7 million of equipment had been conveyed from USG storage facilities out to the provinces. Since November, an additional \$7.6 million has been distributed by MNF convoys; the Director General for health in each governorate then arranges for delivery to hospitals within that region.



[4.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – **Education and Transportation**

Education:

- Work is complete on an institute for educators in the Hit District, Al Anbar Governorate. The \$1 million Institute of Preparatory Teachers provides 22 classrooms for about 600 students training to become teachers.

Transportation:

- The US Project and Contracting Office and the US Army Corps of Engineers have modernized 28 railroad stations in Iraq's southern provinces. Residents living in Babil, Qadisiyah, Muthana and parts of Thi Qar provinces can now catch the train at their local train station and travel to destinations within the region, boarding and exiting at renovated and remodeled railroad stations. Workers have performed numerous tasks at the southern province rail stations such as repairing, plastering, painting, and restoring electricity, water, and toilets.



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

\$Millions Sector	Apportioned		Committed			Obligated			Disbursed		
	2207 Report	Apportion	Last Week	Current	Change	Last Week	Current	Change	Last Week	Current	Change
Security and Law Enforcement	5017.6000	5017.6	4,957.0	4,958.9	1.88	4,702.3	4,698.9	(3.36)	3,964.2	3,993.2	29.1
Electricity Sector	4314.8168	4067.2	3,726.4	3,726.4	0.01	2,952.3	2,953.7	1.43	1,718.6	1,738.0	19.4
Oil Infrastructure	1723.0000	1723.0	1,674.3	1,674.9	0.58	1,398.9	1,399.8	0.95	610.4	616.9	6.6
Justice, Public Safety and Civil Society	1247.1840	1247.2	1,177.3	1,177.0	(0.21)	1,075.7	1,076.1	0.47	642.8	649.9	7.1
Democracy	945.3160	945.3	933.2	933.2	0.00	932.7	932.7	0.00	599.9	599.9	0.0
Education, Refugees, Human Rights, Governance	363.0000	363.0	339.7	339.7	(0.00)	335.5	335.5	0.00	176.9	178.9	2.0
Roads, Bridges and Construction	333.7143	333.7	276.9	276.9	(0.00)	245.8	245.7	(0.08)	150.5	151.7	1.3
Health Care	786.0000	786.0	722.4	721.7	(0.63)	625.8	625.8	0.00	299.0	301.7	2.7
Transportation and Communications	508.5081	508.5	446.0	446.0	0.00	391.7	393.7	2.00	201.5	202.4	0.9
Water Resources and Sanitation	2146.5832	1819.1	1,795.6	1,776.8	(18.83)	1,477.4	1,472.9	(4.51)	581.6	604.7	23.2
Private Sector Development	840.2776	840.3	793.9	793.9	0.00	782.3	782.3	0.00	552.2	552.2	0.0
Admin Expense (USAID, STATE)	213.0000	213.0	147.9	147.9	0.00	147.9	147.9	0.00	55.2	56.5	1.2
TOTAL	18,439.0000	17863.9	16,990.5	16,973.3	(17.21)	15,068.1	15,065.1	(3.10)	9,552.6	9,646.1	93.5
IRRF 2 Construction			9,829.6	9,814.3	(15.28)	8,299.5	8,294.8	(4.65)	4,737.3	4,804.2	66.9
IRRF 2 Non-Construction			6,227.7	6,225.8	(1.93)	5,835.9	5,837.5	1.55	4,215.4	4,242.0	26.5
IRRF 2 Democracy			968.5	968.5	0.00	967.7	967.7	0.00	599.9	599.9	0.0
IRRF 1 Subtotal	2,473.3000	2473.3	2,473.3	2473.30	0.00	2,473.3	2,473.3	0.00	2,406.6	2,406.6	0.0
Grand Total IRRF 1 & 2	20,912.3000	20337.2	19,463.8	19,446.6	(17.21)	17,541.4	17,538.4	(3.10)	11,959.2	12,052.7	93.5

As of December 7, 2005



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

Oil Update:

- Crude oil prices in world markets for the week ending December 2 closed with the following prices:
 - Basra Light at \$45.47/barrel
 - WTI Cushing at \$57.79/barrel
 - Kirkuk Crude at \$57.98/barrel
 - Dated Brent at \$53.96/barrel
 - Oman/Dubai at \$51.06/barrel

Employment Update:

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

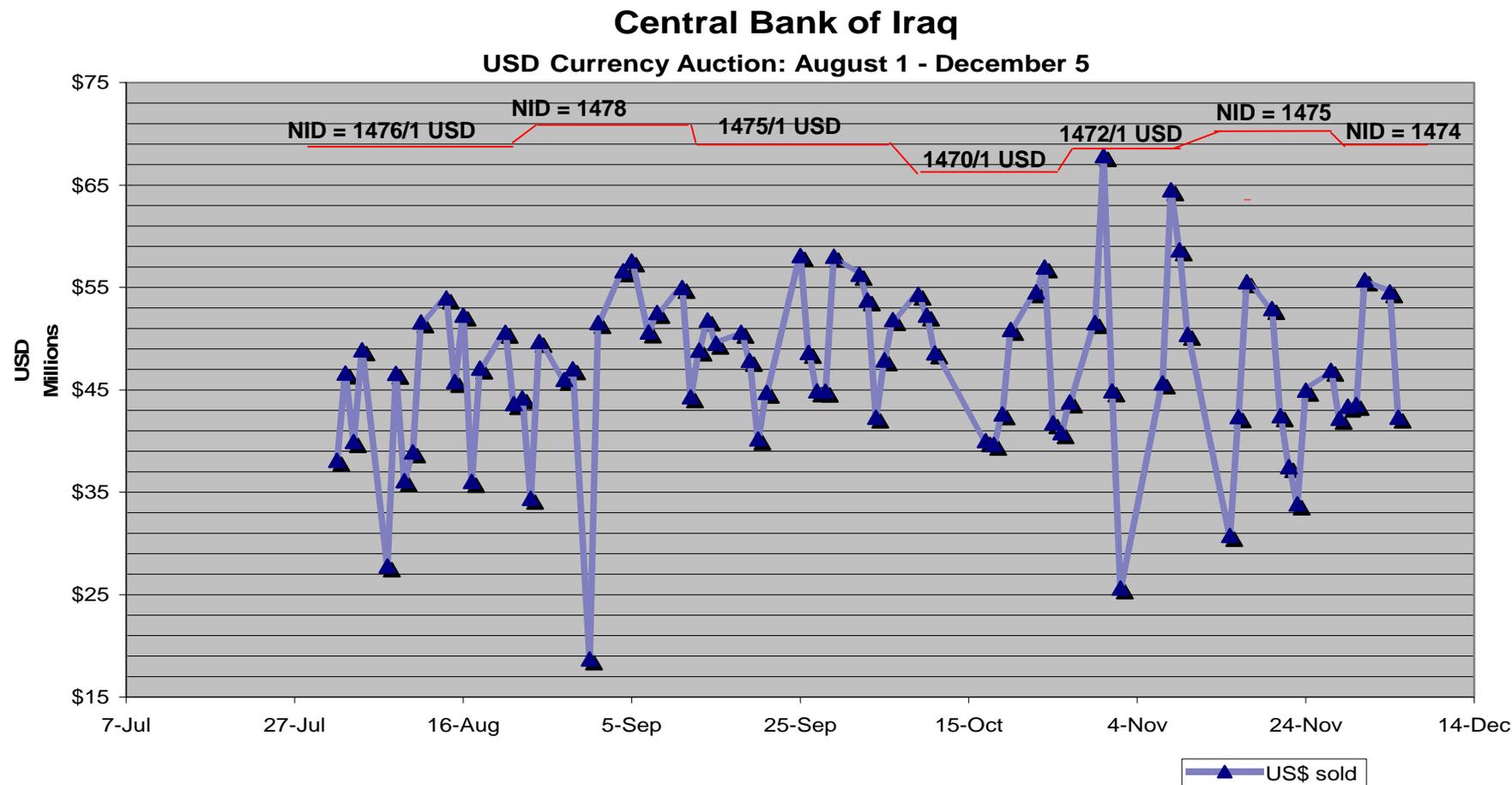
Employing Organization	Iraqis Last Week	Iraqis This Week	% Increase on Week
PCO (Project and Contracting Office)	29,587	30,373	2.7%
USAID	36,030	36,251	0.6%
AIRP (Accelerated Iraqi Reconstruction Program)	1,327	1,664	25.4%
MILCON (Military Construction)	368	269	-26.9%
CERP	23,706	23,706	0.0%
MNSTC-I (Commanders' Emergency Response Program)	19,350	16,362	-15.4%
IRRF NON-CONSTRUCTION	13,393	15,452	15.4%
GRAND TOTAL	123,761	124,077	0.3%



[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 August 1 through December 5. The exchange rate remained stable this week ending at 1,475 dinars per USD on December 5.





[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy

Iraq's 2006 National Budget Passes:

- On December 4, the Transitional National Assembly (TNA) passed the 2006 Iraqi budget.

State-Owned Banks Financial Sector Assessment Completed:

- USAID's Economic Governance II project completed a financial assessment of Iraq's seven state-owned banks. The report will help inform the government's decision-making on banking reform.

Iraqi Government Distributes Checks to Cover Public Distribution Shortages:

- The Ministry of Trade plans to distribute more than four million checks, worth \$330 million, to Iraqi households to make up for shortages in the Public Distribution System food rations between January and August 2006. Distribution is expected before the December 15 elections.

New Businesses Registered in Iraq:

- As of October 2005, 31,021 businesses were registered in Iraq, including approximately 8,000 businesses registered before the war, meaning that over 23,000 new businesses have been registered since the end of hostilities. The vast majority (approximately 85 percent) are limited liability companies, with the rest a mixture of sole-owner companies, branches of foreign companies, etc.



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

Iraqi Stock Exchange (ISX) Opens Doors:

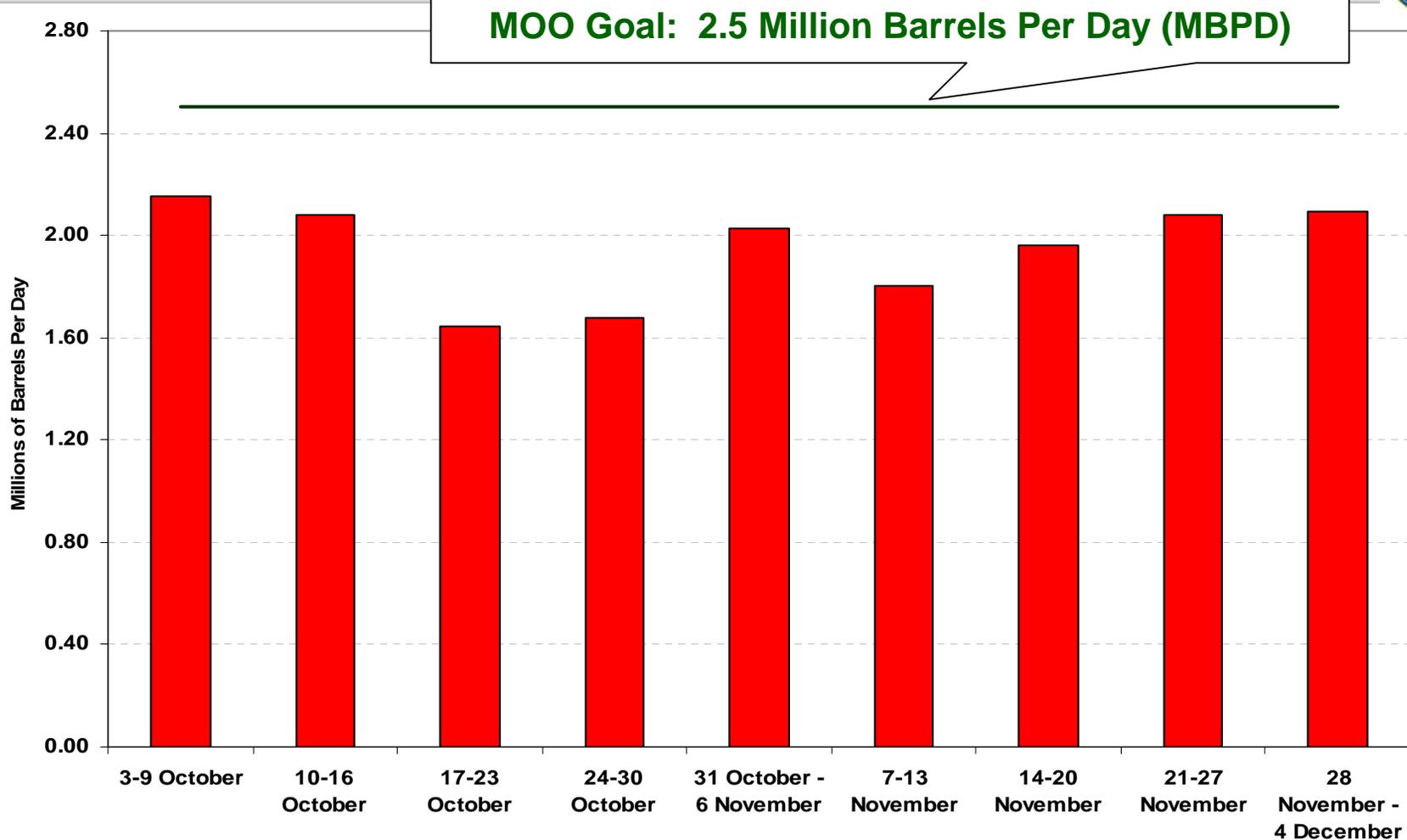
- After operating in a former hotel restaurant for over a year, the Iraqi Stock Exchange (ISX) celebrated its grand opening on December 4 in a newly built sandstone building in southeast Baghdad.
- More than 80 companies are now listed on the Exchange with a monthly trading volume of over NID 20 billion (\$13.6 million).

ISX Trading:

- On December 5, the ISX trading volume was 926 million shares with a trading value of NID 4.5 billion (\$3,082,842).
- The banking sector comprised the largest volume and value of trading, with six banks accounting for a trading volume of 863 million shares and a trading value of NID 3.54 billion (\$2,397,207). The Bank of Baghdad made up 21.4 percent of the day's total trading.
- The industry sector comprised the second largest volume of trading. Thirteen companies in this sector accounted for a trading volume of 36 million shares with a trading value of NID 118 million (\$80,097).



[5.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – Crude Oil Production



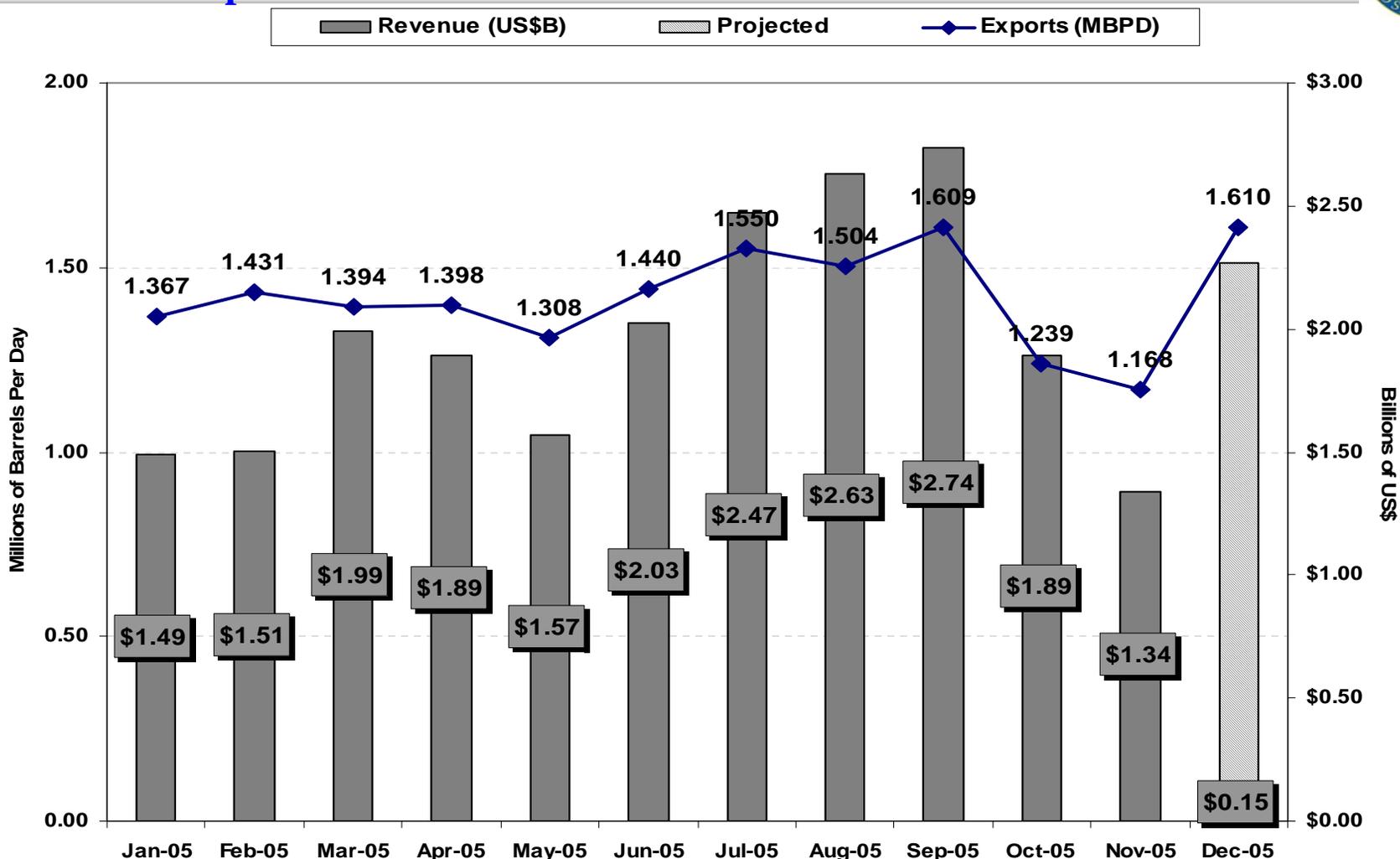
- Weekly Average (November 28-December 4) of 2.08 MBPD
- Pre-War Peak: 2.5 MBPD in March 2003
- Post-War Peak: 2.67 MBPD

Production Target



[5.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – Crude Oil Exports

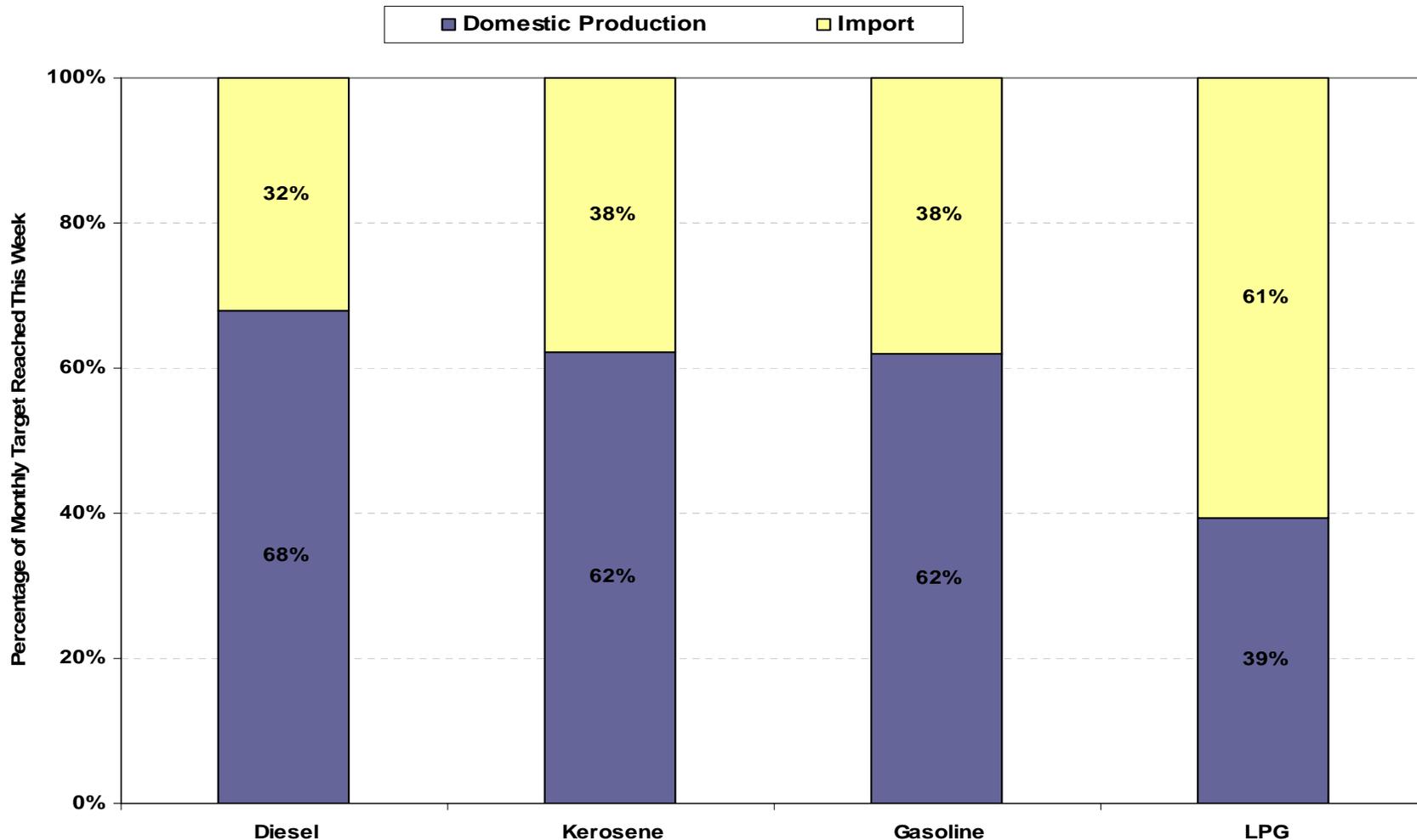
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- 2003 Revenue: \$5,076.6 Millions (M)
- 2004 Revenue: \$17,012.3 M
- 2005 Revenue: \$22,025.4 M (2005 year-to-date)



[5.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – Total Critical Refined Product Supplies



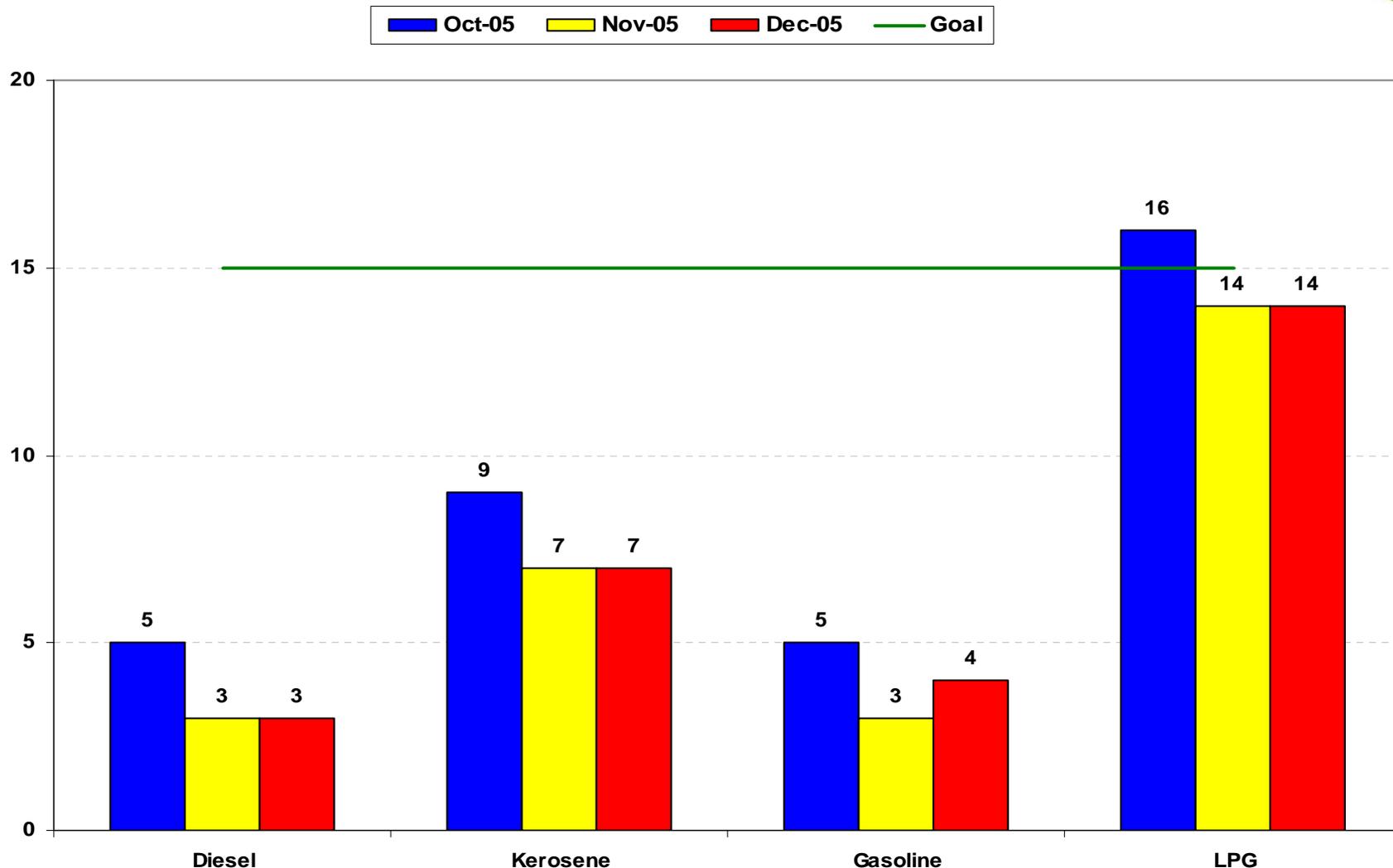
Note: This chart represents the average percentage of daily target reached for the week of November 21-27

- Diesel: 20.4 ML of 18 ML
- Kerosene: 9.0 ML of 19.6 ML*
- Gasoline: 22.2 ML of 18 ML
- LPG: 6,294 tons of 4,300 tons

*Millions of Liters (ML)



[5.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – 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 Continues Despite Courtroom Drama:

- The trial of Saddam Hussein resumed on December 5. During his court appearance Saddam was cited by news reports as defiantly expressing his disapproval with the trial process. Reports also described heated verbal exchanges in the courtroom between another defendant and a prosecution witness. Saddam reportedly asserted his trial is an American-managed affair that isn't being conducted under Iraqi sovereignty.
- US State Department spokesman Noel Clay stated that, “The Iraqi higher criminal court is an Iraqi-led and -managed process.”
- “The US and other international partners will also continue to provide technical assistance and funding to the court,” Clay said, “to help ensure that it has the necessary resources, assistance and training to conduct fair, transparent and effective prosecutions in accordance with the rule of law.”



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

United Nations Involvement in Iraq:

- The Special Representative of the Secretary-General (SRSG), Ashraf Jehangir Qazi met with Iraqi Vice President Ghazi El-Yawar and discussed with him the latest political developments in Iraq. The SRSG and the Vice President focused their discussions on the upcoming elections scheduled for December 15, acknowledging its crucial impact on the political transition of Iraq. Mr. Qazi reiterated the United Nations' commitment to facilitate in conducting a fair, free, inclusive and transparent electoral process. Both also agreed that a robust presence of international observers to monitor the elections would help enhance the credibility of the process.

South Korea's Ruling Party Backs Keeping Troops in Iraq:

- South Korea said on December 1 that it would back a government bill to keep troops in Iraq while cutting the size of the forces by about a third. South Korea has 3,200 troops in Iraq on a reconstruction mission, the third largest foreign military contingent after the United States and Britain. The mission expires at the end of the year and parliamentary approval is required to keep troops there.

Update on Poland's Engagement with Iraq:

- Poland is considering delaying its troop withdrawal out of Iraq from January to mid-year 2006, but the Polish Government will likely not decide until mid-December whether or not to keep 900 out of 1,400 troops for an additional six months. Defense Minister Radoslaw Sikorski said that the security situation in Iraq's south-central province overseen by Polish soldiers had improved sufficiently to hand over to Iraqi forces.



[7.] Increase Int'l Support for Iraq – Contributors to Iraqi Stability Operations

Data as of November 30, 2005

29 Multi-National Forces – Iraq (MNF-I) Contributors (in addition to US)

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

TOTAL ~ 23,000 Forces

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

30 Countries and NATO
(including US)
Support Iraqi Stability Operations



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

President Discusses War on Terror and Rebuilding Iraq:

- President George W. Bush addressed a meeting of the Council on Foreign Relations on December 7, speaking on the war on terror and the rebuilding of Iraq. President Bush said, "...We're helping the new Iraq government reverse decades of economic destruction, reinvigorate its economy, and make responsible reforms. We're helping Iraqis to rebuild their infrastructure and establish the institutions of a market economy. The entrepreneurial spirit is strong in Iraq. Our policies are aimed at unleashing the creativity of the Iraqi people."

Rumsfeld Says Iraqis Are on "a Greatly Improved Path":

- The Iraqi people are on "a greatly improved path" even as they experience such continuing difficulties as assassinations and the taking of hostages, U.S. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld told students and faculty at the Johns Hopkins University December 5.
- In a speech about the future of Iraq, Rumsfeld suggested that success in Iraq should not be defined as an absence of terrorist attacks. Although acknowledging that Iraq continues to experience outbursts of violence, the defense secretary also pointed to positive developments such as the existence of an Iraqi Constitution, the parliamentary elections scheduled for December 15, and "a vital and engaged media."



Iraq Weekly Status – General Information

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- Please forward all questions and/or comments to NEA-I-IPOG-DL@state.gov



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Slide 12:

- 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.

Slide 13:

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- USAID continues to update weekly.

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Slide 19:

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Slide 20:

- Information regarding the new ISX facility was sourced from the Financial Times, December 5, 2005
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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.
- 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.



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- 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.

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- Note: Data missing from Sept 2-4. This graph will be updated when the data arrives.
- Goals set by the State Oil Marketing Organization (SOMO), a company owned by the Ministry of Oil (MOO).

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- Note: Data missing from Sept 2-4. This graph will be updated when the data arrives.

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