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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2. **Transition Iraq to Security Self-Reliance**

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

Iraqi leaders began intensive meetings on March 14 to form a national unity government ahead of the Council of Representatives' first session on Thursday. The parliament session set for March 16 is expected to remain technically open for days, without adjourning, to give time for blocs meet a constitutional requirement to elect a speaker in the first session, officials said.

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

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[1.] Defeat the Terrorists and Neutralize the Insurgency

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Operation Glory Light Secures Sadr-Yusufiyah:

- Soldiers from the 6th and 9th Iraqi Army Divisions, supported by Coalition Soldiers conducted one of the largest operations of the past six months and took control of a terrorist stronghold south of Baghdad. During the one-week operation, Iraqi soldiers uncovered nine weapons caches, consisting of 131 mortar rounds, nine 50 mm mortars, 17 rockets, two rocket-propelled grenade launchers, six AK-47 rifles, two BKC machine guns and a large amount of bomb making materials.

Ramadi Search Nets Suspects and Cache:

- Soldiers from the 3rd Battalion, 1st Brigade, 7th Iraqi Army Division detained six people in connection with a large cache discovered and seized in the Tammim district of western Ramadi. The seizure represents the largest find to date for the unit since they began operations 10 months ago in the area.



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

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Iraqi General Rescued

- A retired Iraq brigadier general was rescued from kidnappers by Iraqi Counterterrorism Forces east of Ar Rashidiya. The operation also led to the detention of two men believed to be involved in the kidnapping.

National Police Seminar Held in Baghdad

- The final session of an Iraqi National Police Leadership seminar concluded on March 9, wrapping up a 10 session series that originally began on November 25, 2005. The participants, commanders of Iraq's National Police Commandos, Public Order Division and First Mechanized Brigades, juggled seminars with their current duties and events, which dictated the length of the overall course. Each of the 10 sessions for senior leaders was facilitated by Coalition police trainers and covered a myriad of topics including ethics, human rights, leadership, rule of law and criminal procedure.



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

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Ministry of Interior Forces

COMPONENT	TRAINED & EQUIPPED
POLICE	~88,900
HIGHWAY PATROL	
OTHER MOI FORCES	~38,800
TOTAL	~127,700*

Ministry of Defense Forces

COMPONENT	OPERATIONAL
ARMY	~111,500
AIR FORCE	~600
NAVY	~800
TOTAL	~112,900**

Total Trained & Equipped ISF:

~240,600

* 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 March 6, 2006 (updated bi-weekly by DOD)



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

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Iraqi Leaders Begin Meetings With US:

- Leaders of Iraq's main political blocs began a round of marathon meetings March 14 with the US Ambassador in an attempt to reach agreement on a unity government. Abdul-Aziz al-Hakim, leader of the main Shiite bloc, hosted the meeting, which was also attended by Kurdish, Sunni and secular leaders. All blocs agreed to establishing a committee to further refine all government formation issues and present recommendations to each bloc for endorsement. Talabani announced the new parliament will meet for the first time March 16.

Ja'fari Stands Firm:

- Iraq's prime minister has repeatedly said that he has the support of the Iraqi public and that he would not step aside despite strong opposition from some Iraqi political parties. The UIA rejected Kurd, Tawafuq and Allawi letters requesting reconsideration of their support for Ja'fari.

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



IECI Official Announced 15 December 2005 Election Results:

Political Entity Name	Ballot Number	Total Votes	Governorate Seats	Compensatory Seats	National Seats	Total Seats
Unified Iraqi Coalition	555	5021137	109	0	19	128
Kurdistani Gathering	730	2642172	43	0	10	53
Tawafoq Iraqi Front	618	1840216	37	0	7	44
National Iraqi List	731	977325	21	0	4	25
Hewar National Iraqi Front	667	499963	9	0	2	11
Islamic Union of Kurdistan	561	157688	4	0	1	5
Liberation and Reconciliation Gathering	516	129847	3	0	0	3
Mithal Al Aloosi List for Iraqi Nation	620	32245	1	0	0	1
Iraqi Turkoman Front	630	87993	1	0	0	1
Progressives	631	145028	1	0	1	2
Al Ezediah Movement for Progressing and Reform	668	21908	1	0	0	1
Al Rafedain List	740	47263	0	1	0	1
Total			230	1	44	275



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

			President		
	Deputy President		Jalal Talabani	Deputy President	
	Sheikh Ghazi al-Yawr			‘Adil ‘Abd al-Mahdi	
			Prime Minister		
			Ibrahim al-Ja’fari		
Deputy Prime Minister	Deputy Prime Minister			Deputy Prime Minister	Deputy Prime Minister
Rawsh Shaways	‘Abd Mutlak al-Juburi			Ahmad al-Chalabi	Vacant
Minister of Agriculture	Minister of Communications	Minister of Culture	Minister of Defense	Minister of Displacement & Migration	Minister of Electricity
Ali al-Bahadili	Juwan Fu’ad Ma’sum (F)	Nuri al-Rawi	Sa’dun al-Dulaymi	Suhayla al-Kinani (F)	Muhsin Shallash
Minister of Education	Minister of Environment	Minister of Finance	Minister of Foreign Affairs	Minister of Health	Minister of Higher Education
Abdul Mun’im al-Falah Hasan	Narmin ‘Uthman (F)	‘Ali ‘Allawi	Hoshiyar Zebari	Abd al-Muttalib al-Rubay’i	Sami al-Muzaffar
Minister of Human Rights	Minister of Industry & Minerals	Minister of Interior	Minister of Justice	Minister of Housing & Construction	Minister of Labor & Social Affairs
Vacant	Usama al-Najafi	Bayan Jabr	‘Abd al-Husayn Shandal	Jasim Ja’far	Idris Hadi
Minister of Oil	Minister of Planning	Minister of Trade	Minister of Science & Technology	Minister of Municipalities & Public Works	Minister of Transportation
Hashem al-Hashemi (Acting)	Barham Salih	‘Abd al-Basit Mawlud	Basima Butrus (F)	Nasreen Berwari (F)	Salam al-Maliki
Minister of Water Resources	Minister of Youth & Sports	Minister of State for Civil Society	Minister of State for National Assembly Affairs	Minister of State for National Security Affairs	
‘Abd al-Latif Rashid	Talib Aziz al-Zaini	‘Ala’ abib Kazim	Safa’ al-Din al-Safi	‘Abd al-Karim al-‘Anzi	
	Minister of State for Provinces	Minister of State for Tourism and Antiquities	Minister of State for Women’s Affairs		
	Sa’d al-Hardan	Hashim al-Hashimi	Azhar al-Shaykhli (F)		

(F) = Female



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

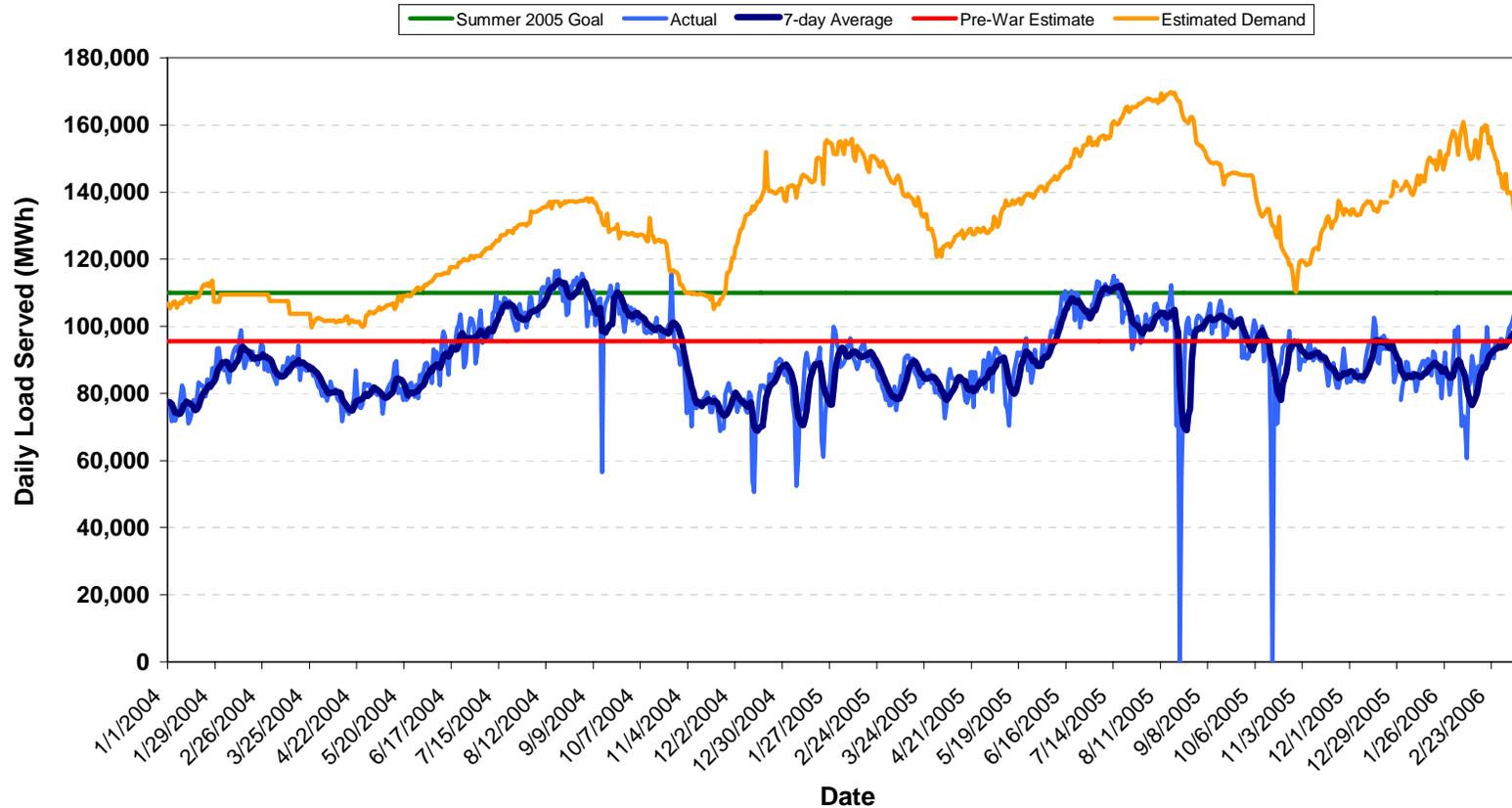
\$Millions	Apportioned		Committed			Obligated			Disbursed		
	2207 Report	Apportion	Last Week	Current	Change	Last Week	Current	Change	Last Week	Current	Change
Sector											
Security and Law Enforcement	5036.00	5036.00	4,944.9	4,943.0	(1.89)	4,855.1	4,861.2	6.09	4,328.7	4,353.0	24.3
Electricity Sector	4220.02	4220.02	3,707.7	3,863.1	155.43	3,402.6	3,437.6	35.00	1,970.6	2,000.9	30.3
Oil Infrastructure	1735.60	1735.60	1,670.1	1,660.5	(9.63)	1,553.6	1,546.9	(6.69)	755.4	775.5	20.1
Justice, Public Safety and Civil Society	1315.95	1315.95	1,209.6	1,209.3	(0.23)	1,184.6	1,185.5	0.95	797.7	798.5	0.8
Democracy	1033.85	1033.85	975.2	977.2	2.00	975.0	970.0	(5.06)	656.0	657.7	1.6
Education, Refugees, Human Rights, Governance	410.00	410.00	343.2	343.2	0.00	340.2	340.1	(0.01)	237.2	241.4	4.2
Roads, Bridges and Construction	333.71	333.71	294.7	300.6	5.87	290.0	295.8	5.80	173.3	173.7	0.4
Health Care	739.00	739.00	717.6	719.7	2.11	670.6	675.8	5.12	416.0	416.2	0.2
Transportation and Communications	465.51	465.51	452.2	457.1	4.82	414.4	415.2	0.74	239.4	241.8	2.3
Water Resources and Sanitation	2131.08	2131.08	1,584.0	1,619.3	35.28	1,479.0	1,482.0	3.02	842.3	874.6	32.3
Private Sector Development	805.28	805.28	793.5	790.3	(3.20)	782.3	782.3	0.00	595.9	600.7	4.8
Admin Expense (USAID, STATE)	213.00	213.00	159.7	159.7	0.00	159.7	159.7	0.00	61.1	61.1	0.0
TOTAL	18439.00	18439.00	16,852.5	17,043.1	190.56	16,107.1	16,152.0	44.95	11,073.6	11,194.9	121.3
IRRF 2 Construction			9,558.0	9,749.6	191.55	9,065.8	9,106.2	40.41	5,649.4	5,737.1	87.8
IRRF 2 Non-Construction			6,319.3	6,316.3	(2.99)	6,066.3	6,075.9	9.60	4,768.2	4,800.1	31.9
IRRF 2 Democracy			975.9	970.2	(5.67)	975.0	970.0	(5.07)	656.0	657.7	1.6
IRRF 1 Subtotal	2473.30	2473.30	2,473.3	2,473.30	0.00	2,473.3	2,473.3	0.00	2,406.6	2,406.6	0.0
Grand Total IRRF 1 & 2	20912.30	20912.30	19,325.8	19,516.4	190.56	18,580.4	18,625.3	44.94	13,480.2	13,601.5	121.3

As of March 14, 2006



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

Daily Electricity Supplied and Estimated Demand in Iraq Since January 2004



- Electricity availability in Baghdad dropped slightly in the last week (7-13 March 2006) with an average of 7.3 hours per day.
- Nationwide average electricity availability increased slightly to 13.0 hours per day.
- Electricity output for March 2006 is 17 percent higher than it was for the same period in March 2005.

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[4.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – **Electricity, Public Health and Healthcare**



Electricity:

- Testing of the V94 turbine generator has proven successful at the Kirkuk power plant. With an output of 260 MW, the enormous generator provided 48 percent of Baghdad's total electrical output on March 8, according to USAID officials. Discussions are ongoing with the Iraqi Ministry of Oil to ensure the provision of the needed "dry-gas" for operating the V94 on a continuous basis.
- The US Army Corps of Engineers completed a \$507,000 electrical distribution project in Rusafa, Baghdad Province on March 7. This is an essential electrical distribution system upgrade for over 25,000 Rusafa residents.

Public Health and Healthcare:

- The Health Attaché's office at Embassy Baghdad reports that approximately 95% of USG-purchased medical equipment has been delivered to the Ministry of Health for distribution to clinics and hospitals across Iraq. The USG has procured approximately \$117 million in new equipment and supplies to date, which will help to modernize and improve patient care capabilities in Iraq.



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

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Water and Sanitation:

- As many as one million Iraqis in south Baghdad now enjoy improved tap water service, thanks to USG-funded renovation of two water treatment plants. Some of the residents had not had water flowing from their faucets for nearly eight years. A Baghdad firm was awarded the rehabilitation project, and the USACE provided oversight. Despite setbacks from insurgent attacks, local workers succeeded in cleaning sedimentation basins, repairing generators and water pumps, and installing chlorine pumps to complete the project in four months.
- The Ministry of Municipalities and Public Works (MMPW) in Basrah Province received 49 water tanker trucks valued at over \$6 million. The USG-purchased trucks have restored the ability of the Basrah Directorate to deliver drinking water to citizens.

Education:

- Construction is complete for six Commander’s Emergency Response Program (CERP) school projects in the Ninawa Province. Each school cost \$48,100 and will provide a better learning environment for approximately 150 students and six teachers.



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

Communications:

- The Consolidated Fiber Network (CFN) is an extension to the existing Iraq Telephone and Postal Company (ITPC) fiber network that provides command, control and communications for the Ministry of Electricity (MoE) and additional capacity for ITPC. The overall project is 40 percent complete and is scheduled to end in summer 2006.

Transportation:

- In the UK, 12 Iraqi students are enrolled and attending air traffic training at Bournemouth Business School International. This 22-week program includes immersion in English and living with a local host family.



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

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Oil Update:

- Crude oil prices in world markets for the week ending March 10 closed with the following prices:
 - Basrah Light at \$53.03/barrel
 - Dated Brent at \$60.26/barrel
 - WTI Cushing at \$60.89/barrel
 - Oman/Dubai at \$57.60/barrel
 - Kirkuk Crude at \$55.61/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)	38,223	36,760	-3.83%
USAID	53,597	54,261	1.24%
AIRP (Accelerated Iraqi Reconstruction Program)	1,268	1,268	0.00%
MILCON (Military Construction)	254	254	0.00%
CERP (Commanders' Emergency Response Program)	0	0	0.00%
MNSTC-I	16,310	12,870	-21.09%
IRRF NON-CONSTRUCTION	16,012	16,049	0.23%
GRAND TOTAL	125,664	121,462	-3.34%

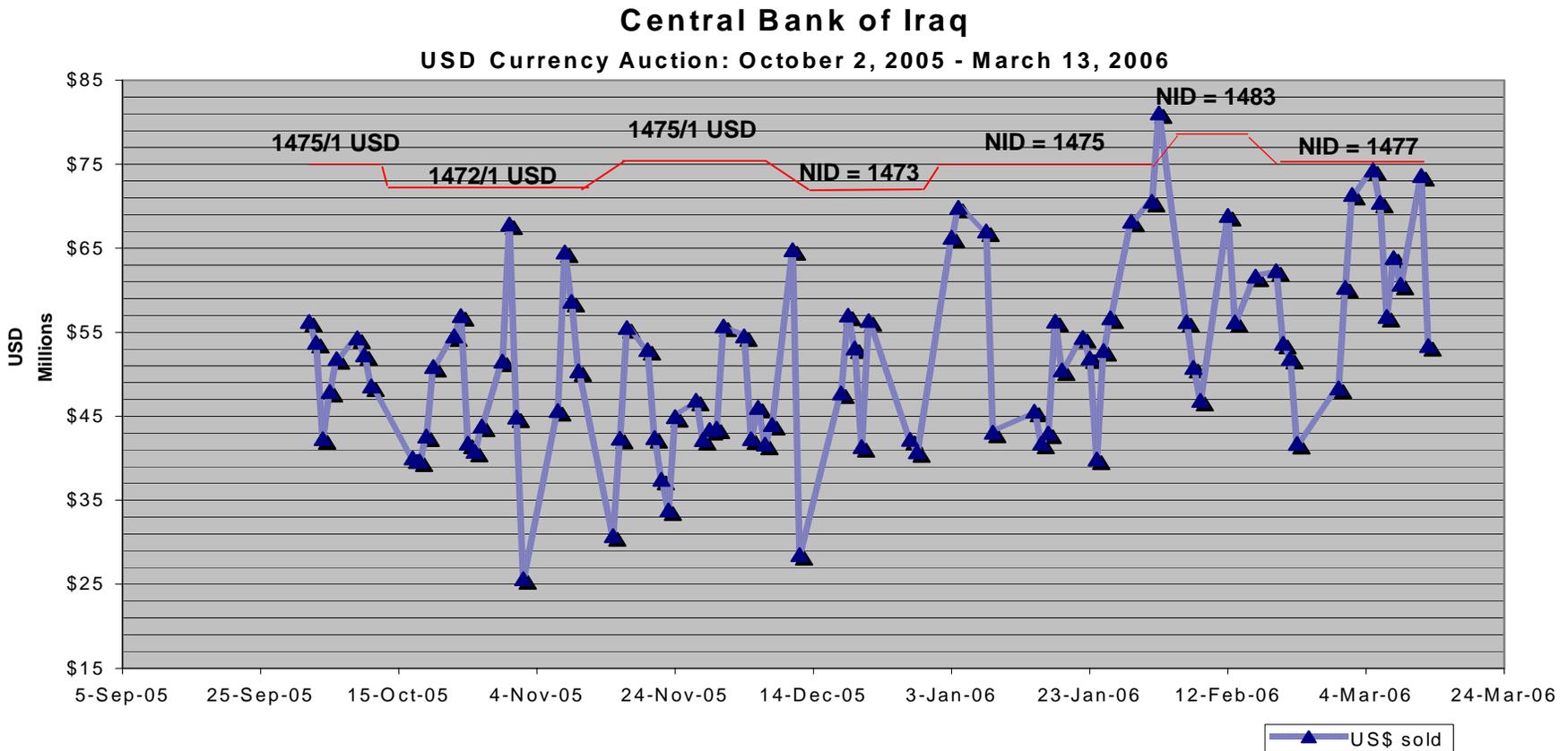
- CERP numbers have not been updated recently and PCO will be reporting on a bi-weekly basis.
- USAID continues to update weekly.



[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 October 2, 2005. The dinar remained stable against the dollar this week, ending at 1,477 dinars per USD on March 13.



*On January 8, the CBI purchased \$1,320,000 of Iraqi Dinars at the exchange rate of 1481 NID/\$.

*The NID exchange rate line is calculated as a weekly weighted average.

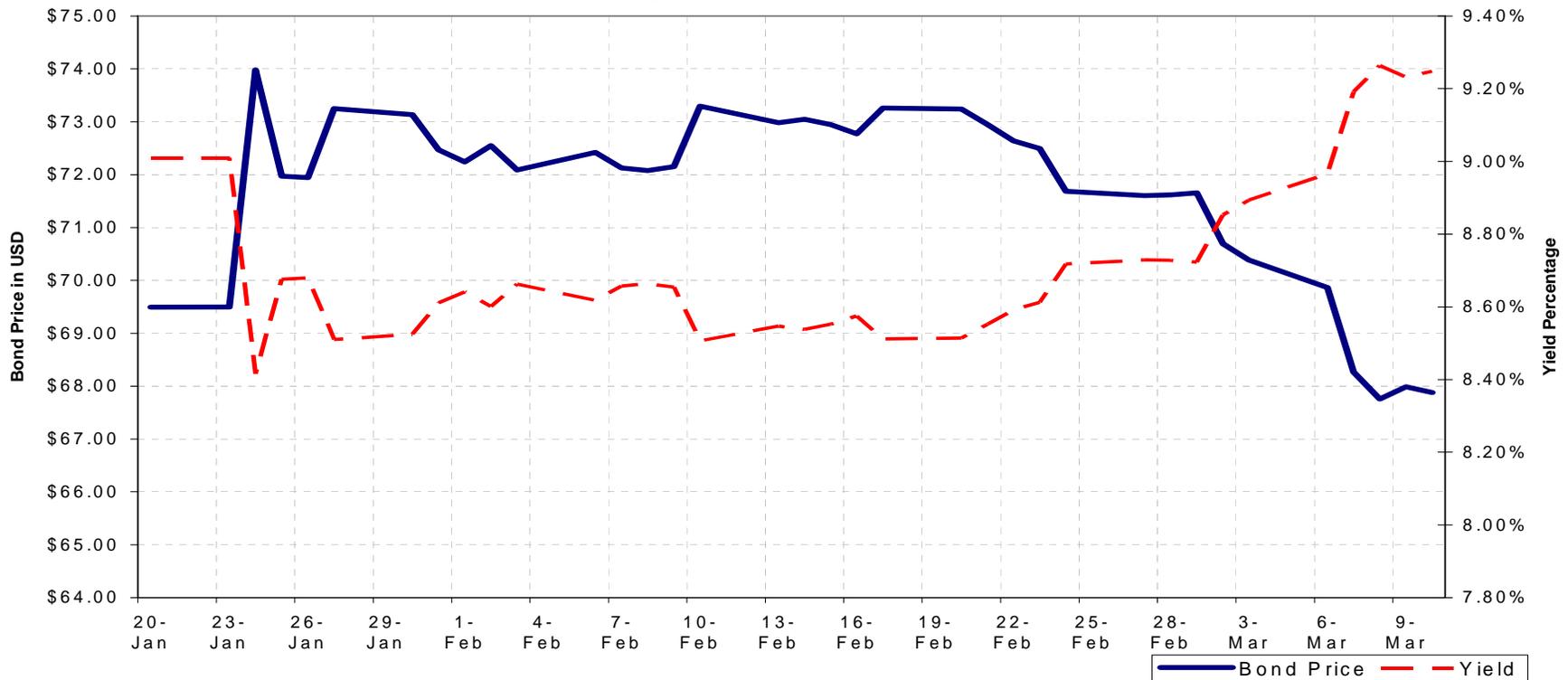


[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Securities Markets

Trade of Iraqi Bonds on the International Secondary Bond Market:

- The following table shows the daily bond resale price and yield on Iraq bonds issued January 20. The bonds were originally issued to about two-thirds of Iraq's commercial creditors to repay 20 percent of Iraq's \$22 billion in commercial debt. The bonds, which are not yet rated, will mature in 2028. These are the only Iraqi sovereign debt instruments trading on the international market. With a current yield of 9.25 percent, it is slightly lower than Ecuador and Argentina, but the return is still one of the highest in the world for sovereign debt instruments.

Iraqi Commercial Bond Sales
January 20, 2006 - March 10, 2006



Trading High = \$73.98 (January 24)

Trading Low = \$67.76 (March 8)



[5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy

Paris Club to Intercede with Other Iraqi Creditors:

- At the request of the Central Bank of Iraq Governor Sinan al-Shabibi, the Paris Club Secretariat will send letters to seven of Iraq's non-Paris Club official creditors who have not yet agreed to debt relief for Iraq urging them to conclude bilateral agreements. The creditors include Bulgaria, Cyprus, Hungary, Poland, Czech Republic, Greece, and the committee representing the former Yugoslavia, account for approximately \$6 billion of Iraq's outstanding debt.

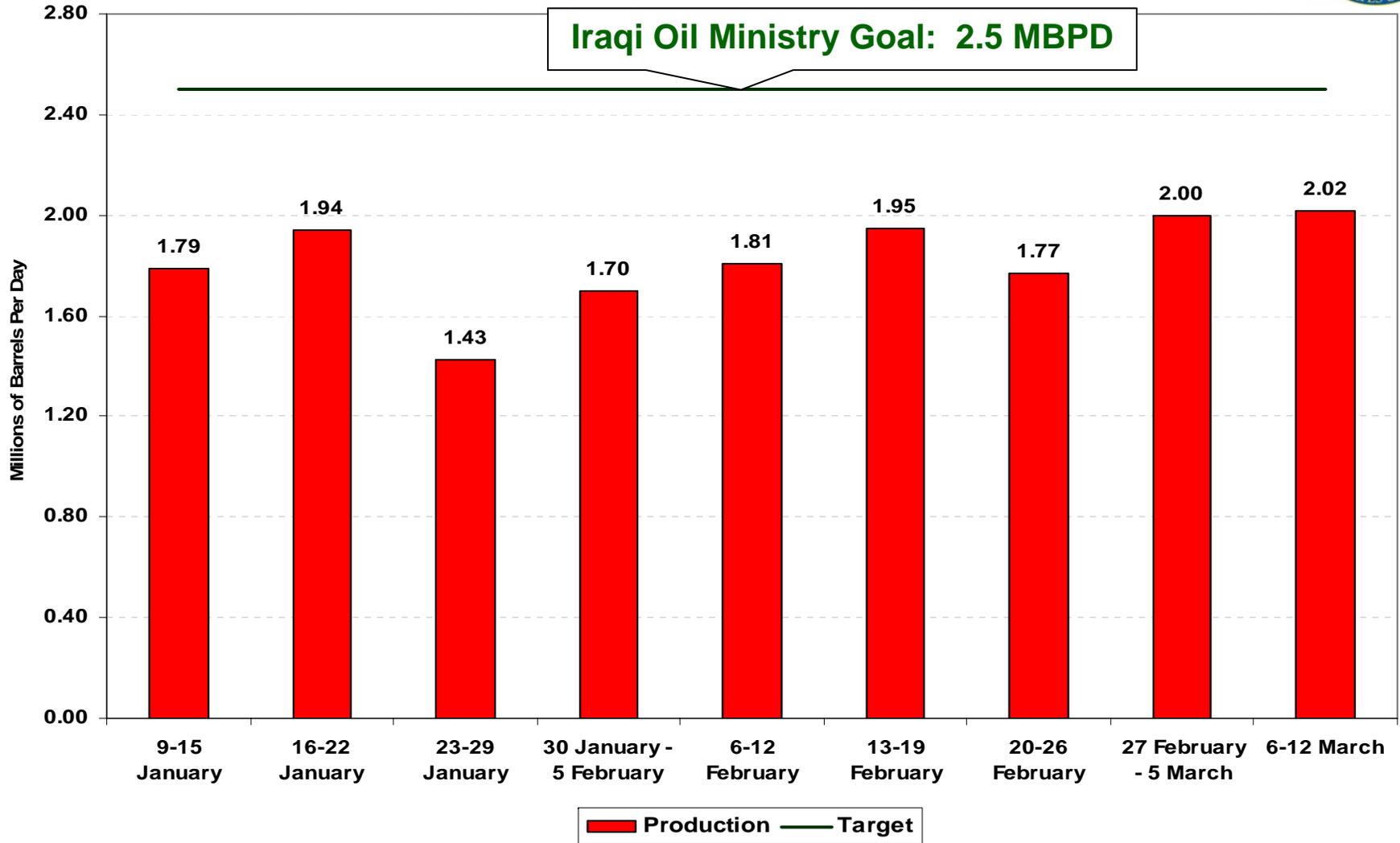
Fourteen Iraqi Provinces to Benefit from USAID Microfinance Grants:

- USAID's Izdihar project awarded \$8.9 million in grants the week of March 6 to three international NGOs to help build a sustainable microfinance industry in Iraq. The grants, approximately \$3 million each, will help build the capacity of Iraqi microfinance institutions in 14 of Iraq's 18 provinces. Two of the recipients already have existing operations in Iraq.
 - The NGOs, through the microfinance institutions, will provide loans to small businesses and will train a cadre of Iraqi loan officers to work in the 14 provinces.



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

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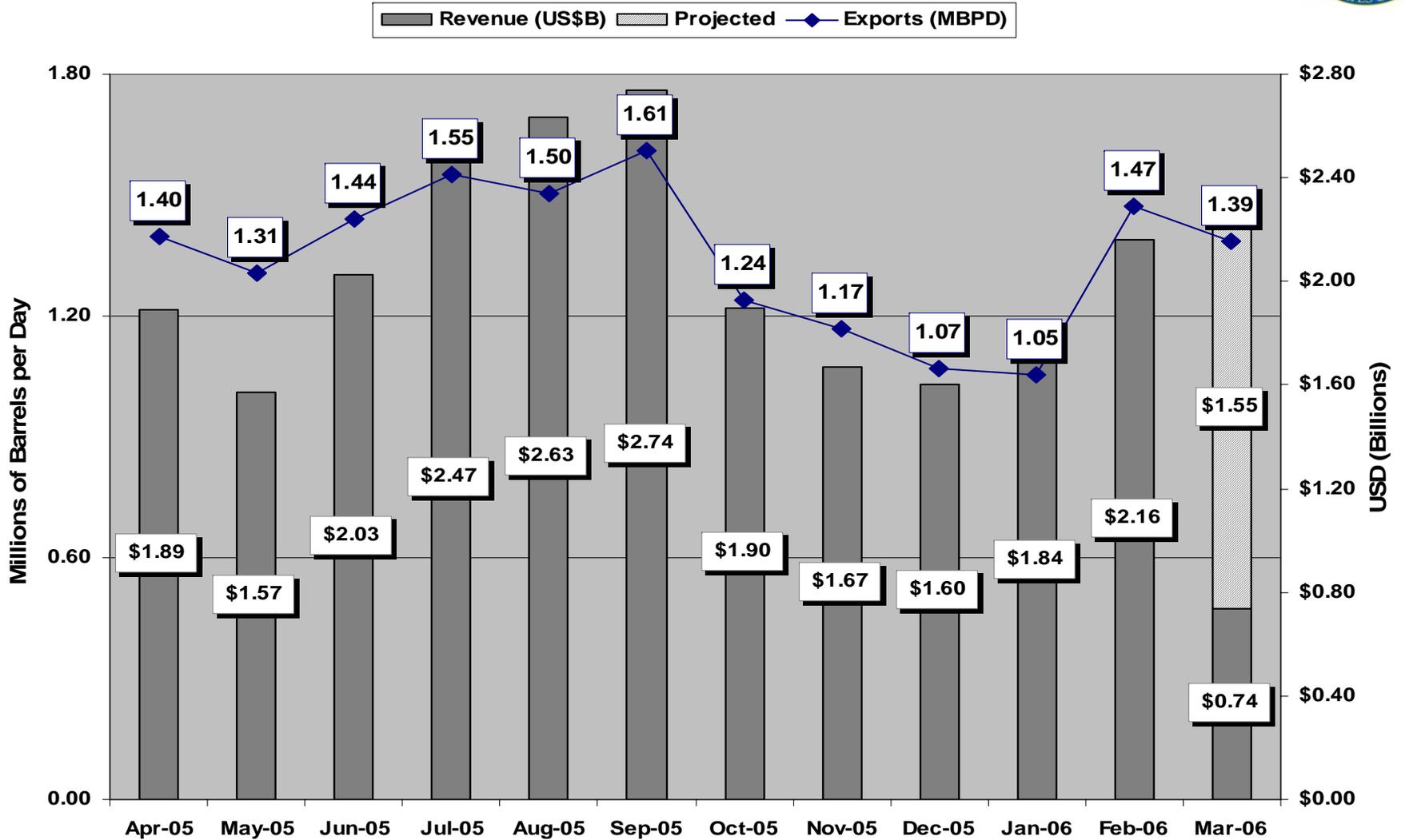


- Weekly Average (Mar 6-12) of 2.02 Million Barrels Per Day (MBPD)



[5.0] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – Crude Oil Export

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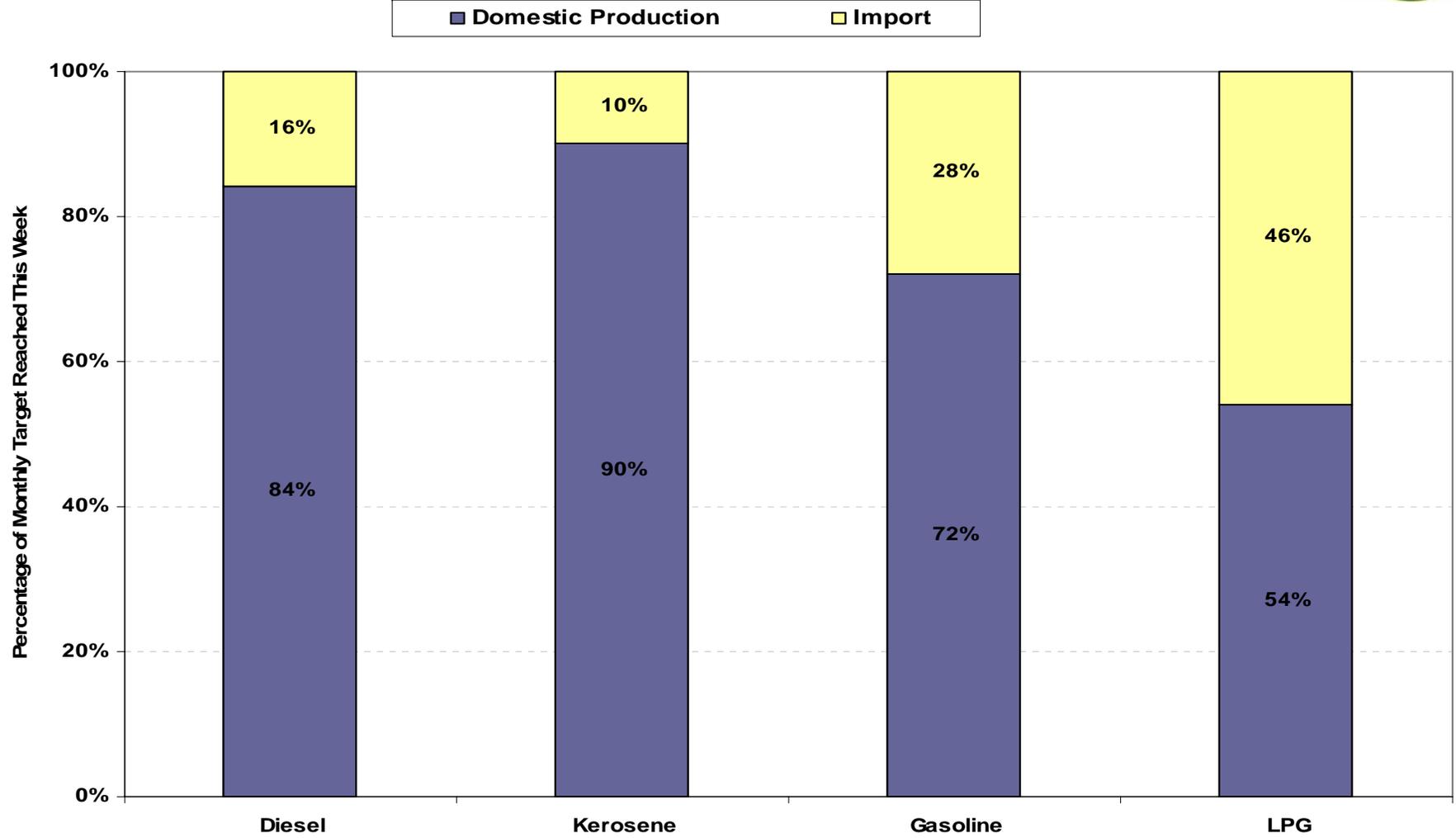


- 2005 Revenue Estimate: \$23.5 B
- 2006 Revenue Estimate: \$4.7 B (Year to Date)



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

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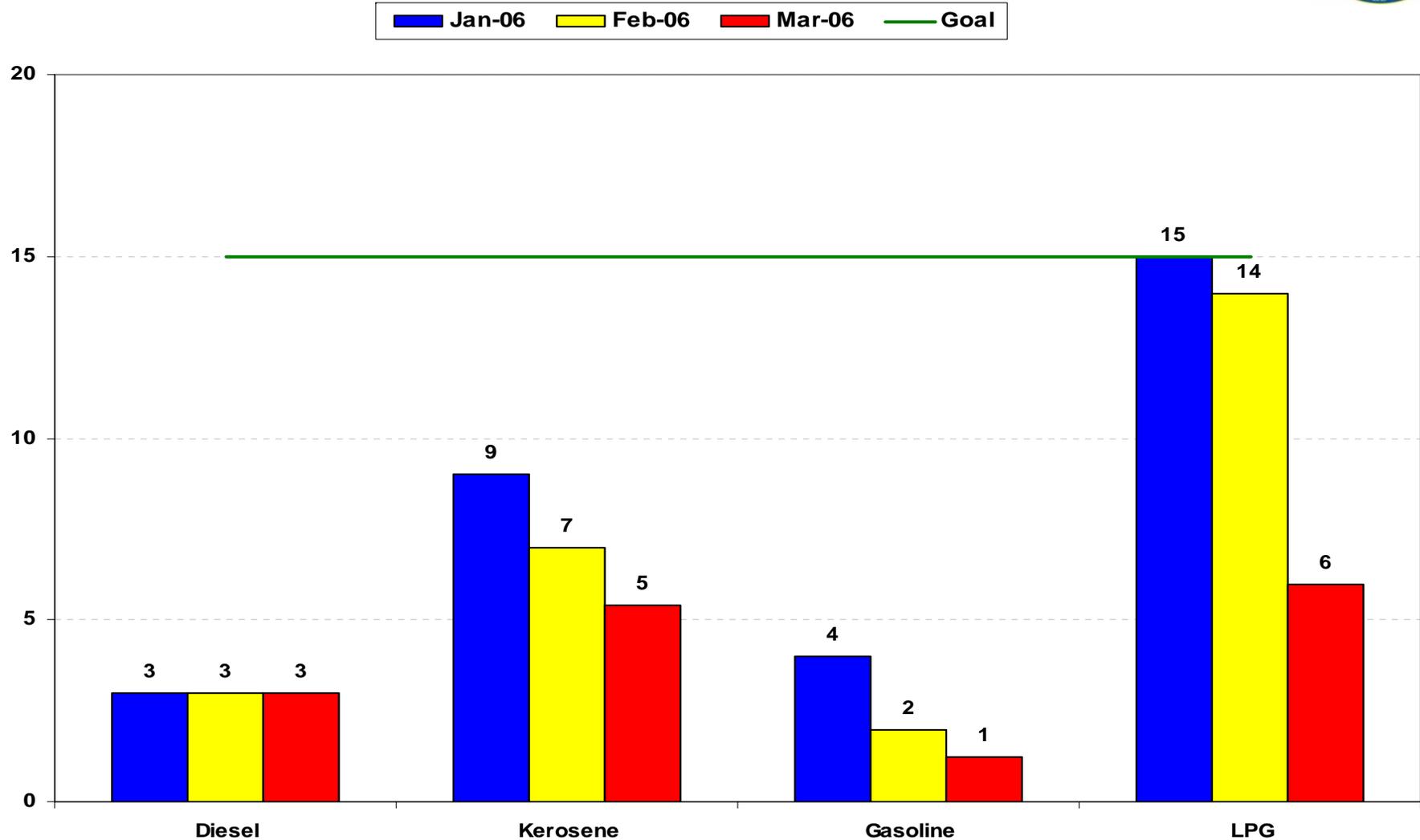


- Diesel: 11.9 ML supply of 20.6 ML target
- Kerosene: 6.9 ML supply of 10.5 ML target
- Gasoline: 16.1 ML supply of 23.4 ML target
- LPG: 2,932 tons supply of 4,400 tons target



[5.0] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – 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.



[6.0] Help Iraq Strengthen the Rule of Law and Promote Civil Rights– Iraqi Judicial System

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Detainees Released Following CRRB Review:

- The Combined Review and Release Board (CRRB) reviewed cases of 122 male detainees and recommended release, from Theater Internment Facilities on March 8. The Iraqi-led CRRB, which was established in August 2004, consists of members from the Ministries of Human Rights, Justice and Interior, as well as officers from the Multi-National Forces. To date the board has reviewed the cases of more than 30,000 detainees, recommending more than 15,400 individuals for release.



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

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UN Hosts UN Human Rights Workshop:

- The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and the UN Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI) organized a workshop on building a national commission to address abuses in the Iraq. The workshop aimed to lay the groundwork for building an independent national human rights commission for Iraq, as provided for in the Iraqi Constitution, according to UNAMI. Participants discussed topics including the independence of a national human rights commission; its core functions, structure and methodology; and best practices from other similar commissions.

Britain Reduces Troops Levels, Remains Committed:

- In an expected announcement, Britain said it will cut its forces in Iraq by 10 percent - a reduction of about 800 troops - by May. Defense Secretary John Reid said Britain's commitment to the Iraqi people "remains total." Reid emphasized that British troops, which are focused primarily in the south of the country, will continue to have a presence in all four provinces for which they are responsible. Reid added, "that the reductions I have announced are not part of a handover of security responsibility," but, "they do reflect the completion of some of our security sector reform tasks in developing the capability of the Iraqi forces."



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

Data as of March 15, 2006

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

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

TOTAL ~ 20,000 Forces

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

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

*29 includes the 26 countries listed above, the US, Fiji, and Singapore.

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

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Strategic Communications:

- President Bush delivered the first in a series of speeches on March 13, updating the American people on the Strategy For Victory In Iraq. The President's Strategy for Victory in Iraq has three tracks: political, economic, and security. The speech focused on the security track. The President updated on progress in training Iraqi Security Forces and explained Coalition efforts to combat improvised explosive devices (IEDs).
 - President Bush emphasized that “Iraqis now have a chance to show the world that they have learned the lesson of Samarra. A country that divides into factions and dwells on old grievances risks sliding back into tyranny. Soon, the new parliament will be seated in Baghdad and begin forming a new government. This will demand negotiation and compromise by the Iraqis – and patience by America and our Coalition allies. Yet out of this process, a free government will emerge that represents the will of the Iraqi people – instead of the will of one cruel dictator.”



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

Strategic Communications:

- On March 13, Ambassador James Jeffrey, Senior Advisor to the Secretary for Iraq, participated in "Ask the White House," an online forum to discuss current affairs. Ambassador Jeffrey highlighted the National Strategy for Victory in Iraq on which [the administration] focuses efforts: 1) the political track, to forge a broadly supported national compact by helping the Iraqi government isolate enemy elements that cannot be won over, engaging those outside of the political process and willing to turn away from violence, and building stable, effective national institutions; 2) the security track, to defeat terrorists, neutralize the insurgency, and develop the Iraqi security forces, applying our "clear, hold, build" strategy to areas previously under insurgent control or influence; and 3) the economic track, which focuses on restoring Iraqi infrastructure, reforming the war- and dictatorship-crippled economy to ensure it becomes self-sustaining, and building the capacity of Iraqi institutions to take the lead.



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