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WASHINGTON – An effective and adequate police force is a critical element in creating stability in Iraq. Coalition authorities, led by those from the United States, play a key role in preparing Iraqis to handle this vital function.

U.S. Department of State Inspector General, Howard J. Krongard, and U.S. Department of Defense Inspector General, Joseph E. Schmitz, today released an interagency assessment of Coalition programs for Iraqi Police Service (IPS) training.

A six-member team drawn from offices of both Inspectors General spent approximately five weeks in February and March 2005 intensively reviewing training programs in Jordan and Iraq. The joint team concluded that although Iraqi police are not able to provide security throughout the country, Coalition training programs have achieved qualified success.

The interagency report, entitled, "Interagency DoD-DOS IG Assessment of Iraqi Police Training," is available on the Internet at the Department of State Inspector General and Department of Defense Inspector General web sites at <u>http://oig.state.gov</u> and <u>http://www.dodig.mil</u>.

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