Death of Izzedin Salim, President, Iraq Governing Council

Secretary Colin L. Powell Washington, DC May 17, 2004

I was shocked and saddened to learn of the assassination of Izzedin Salim. His loss is felt by all of us, and our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Izzedin Salim was an Iraqi patriot. He returned to Iraq from exile to help his people fulfill their desire to live in a peaceful, democratic country. Terrorists may have taken his life, but they will never be able to kill his dreams or those of the Iraqi people. Their cowardly act only strengths our resolve to build a democratic, united, peaceful Iraq.

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