

Iraqi Police Lt. Hedear Kreem instructs new Iraqi police officers on basic first aid techniques during training at the Al Neel Police Station in Mahawil, Iraq, on Dec. 16, 2008.



Iraqi Police Lt. Hedear Kreem demonstrates how to apply a tourniquet to new Iraqi police officers at the Al Neel Police Station in Mahawil, Iraq, on Dec. 16, 2008.



Iraqi Police Lt. Hedear Kreem demonstrates how to assemble a rifle to new Iraqi police officers at the Al Neel Police Station in Mahawil, Iraq, on Dec. 16, 2008.



U.S. Soldiers from Alpha Company, 2nd Infantry Battalion, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, pull security during a patrol in Siniyah, Iraq, on Dec. 16, 2008.



An Iraqi soldier from the 8th Division Iraqi Army hands out comic books to local Iraqi children in Al Qa'im, Iraq, Dec. 18, 2008. The soldiers passed out food, candy, water purifiers and generators to the Iraqi residents in Al Qa'im.



An Iraqi soldier from the 8th Division Iraqi Army hands out candy to local Iraqi children in Al Qa'im, Iraq, Dec. 18, 2008. The Soldiers passed out food, candy, water purifiers and generators to the Iraqi residents in Al Qa'im.



Iraqi soldiers from the 8th Division Iraqi Army give blankets to Iraqi residents in Al Qa'im, Iraq, Dec. 18, 2008. The Soldiers passed out food, candy, water purifiers and generators to the Iraqi residents in Al Qa'im.



U.S. Army Staff Sgts. Richard Luciano and Aaron Betz from the 87th Engineer Company of Fort Hood, Texas, review a map of the area that is to go through a controlled burn in the palm groves in Naqib, Iraq Dec 19, 2008. The U.S. Army is partnering with the Iraqi Army to clear the villages of Naqib and Bey'a and disrupt Al-Qaeda (AQI) networks and weapons caches in and around the Diyala province of Iraq.

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