

An Iraqi man stands next to his clothing store in the Hay AI Tinek neighborhood of Mosul, Iraq, Nov. 24, 2008.



An Iraqi man receives a bag of food from 3rd Battalion, 6th Brigade, 2nd Division Iraqi Army, during a humanitarian aid mission in the Hay Al Tinek neighborhood of Mosul, Iraq, Nov. 24, 2008.



U.S. Army Col. Todd McCafferey, commander of the 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, talks with Iraqi Army Maj. Gen. Abdul Ameer, prior to the opening ceremony for a government center in the city of Abu Ghraib, Iraq, Nov. 22, 2008.

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An Iraqi Army Officer talks with U.S. Army Maj. Gen. Jefferey Hammond, commanding general of the 4th Infantry Division, and Local Iraqi Officials prior to the start of an opening ceremony at a government center in the city of Abu Ghraib, Iraq, Nov. 22, 2008.

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A local Iraqi Official cuts the ribbon on the front door to the recently finished government building in the city of Abu Ghraib, Iraq, Nov. 22, 2008.



An Iraqi shaykh says a prayer at the beginning of an opening ceremony for a recently finished government center in the city of Abu Ghraib, Iraq, Nov. 22, 2008.

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Ms. Linda Specht a U.S. State Department Liaison to 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, Provincial Reconstruction Team, talks with other officials about successes in the area around the city of Abu Ghraib, Iraq, prior to the grand opening of a Government Center in the area, Nov. 22, 2008. (U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Jacob H. Smith/Released) 081122-A-5493S-140 UNCLASSIFIED



U.S. Soldiers from 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, Military Transitional Team, attached to 24th Brigade, 6th Iraqi Army Division, celebrate the end of their year rotation to Iraq with a cookout and to welcome the incoming team that's replacing them at Forward Operating Base Constitution, Iraq, Nov. 23, 2008. (U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Jacob H. Smith/Released) 081123-A-5493S-009



U.S. Soldiers from Military Transitional Team 0360, from the 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, who work closely with the 24th Brigade, 6th Iraqi Army Division, play a game of Dominoes at a cookout on Forward Operating Base Constitution, Iraq, Nov. 23, 2008.

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U.S. Army Master Sgt. Kurt Kaleb from Military Transitional Team 0360, attached to 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, checks his hand during a game of Dominoes at a cookout on Forward Operating Base Constitution, Iraq, Nov. 23, 2008.

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