

Al-Qaeda Iraq



Abu Ayyub al-Masri
AQI Leader—Egyptian

- Al-Qaeda senior leaders envision Iraq as first step towards Islamic Caliphate
- Leaders are mainly foreign born
- Fighters are mainly Iraqi
- 90 percent of suicide bombers are foreign terrorists
- Ideology describes Taliban vision for Iraq
- Strategy: Indiscriminate violence to re-ignite ethno-sectarian conflict
- Tactics: car bombs, suicide attacks, executions, torture, beheadings, and amputations

Captured AQI Map

AQI operations during the period 2-8 March 2007 as reflected in captured document



- 1 Crusaders Killed
- 1 Gov't Supporters Killed
- 1 Shia Militia Killed
- 1 Number of OPs

-  Sniper ops
-  Centers & hideouts
-  Rocket/RPG launch
-  Tanks & carriers

-  Martyr ops
-  Firefights & traps
-  Downing of aircraft
-  Destruction of equipment

-  Under control of ISI
-  Partially controlled by ISI
-  Areas of Turks and Rejectionists
-  Prominent OP of the week

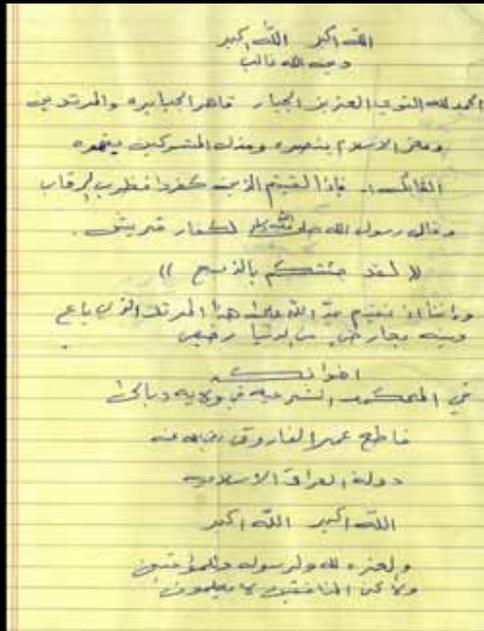
Patterns of Barbaric Violence



Tall Afar Attack – 223 Killed Injured



Yazidi Attack - 796 killed/injured



Letter from AQI 'court' authorizes killing of Iraqi citizens as 'apostates'



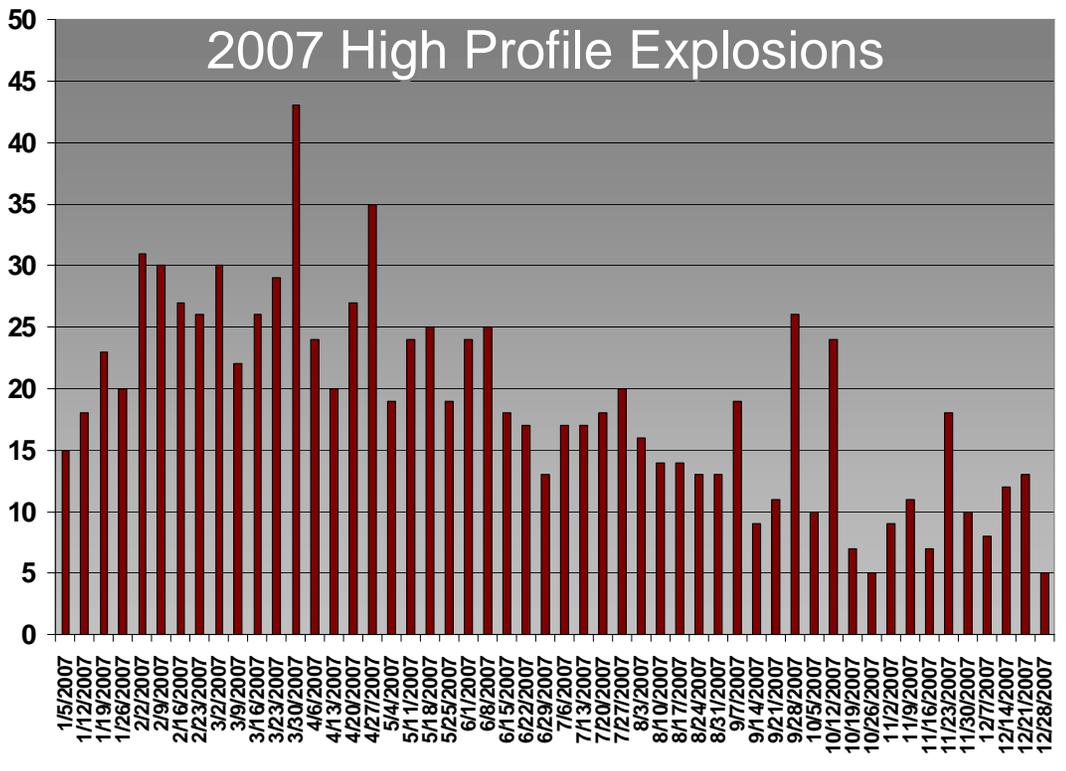
Numerous mass graves discovered in former al-Qaeda operating areas

Violence Against the Iraqi People



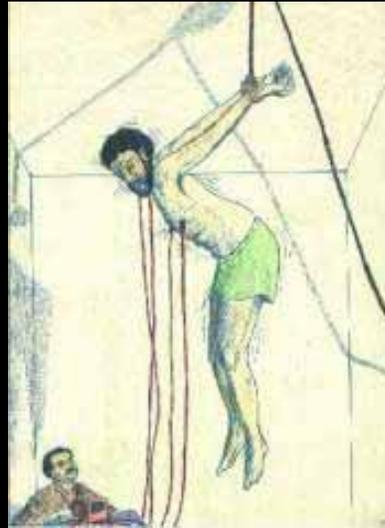
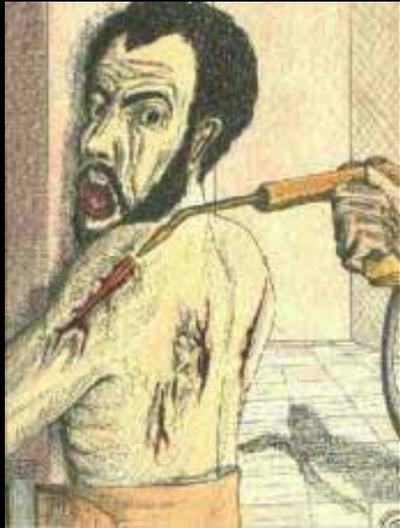
Survivors of al-Qaeda's bombing of the Kirkuk Girls' Primary School, April 2, 2007 (5 killed and 87 injured, most of whom were civilians)

- In 2007...
- 4,552 enemy attacks targeted civilians
 - 3,870 civilians were murdered
 - 17,815 civilians injured due to violence



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Al-Qaeda Torture Manual Captured in May



Torture and Murder



Iraqi Security Forces

Iraqi Security Forces continue to grow, to develop their capabilities, and to shoulder more of the burden of providing security for their country.

Currently, 567,668 Iraqi's under arms in the Ministries of Interior and Defense

- Grew by more than 106,000
- \$2.85 billion worth of equipment supplies through Foreign Military Sales

Some 140 Iraqi Security Force Battalions in the fight

- About 122 battalions capable of leading operations
- All Iraqi battalions involved in combat operations
- Increasingly the first line of defense
- Losses 3 times those of the Coalition

Iraq spent more on its security than it received in security assistance from the United States in 2007



Concerned Local Citizens

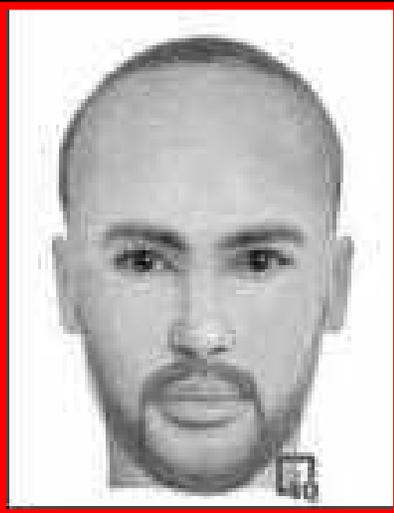
- Grassroots volunteer movement by Iraqi citizens and tribes to reject extremists
- Organized to support Iraqi and Coalition Security Forces – bridges current gaps
- More than 130 separate Concerned Local Citizen groups throughout Iraq
- Over 80,000 active members
- All screened and vetted, majority are paid volunteers
- Under full control of local Iraqi Security or Coalition Forces
- Some 25-30% want to become full time members of the uniformed Iraqi Security Forces, remainder will be offered job skill training, education and employment placement in public and private sector



The Main Focus

Progress depends on squeezing al-Qaeda Iraq from every direction and with every possible means.





Haythem Sabah Shaker Mahmud al-Badri

Emir of Greater Samarra

Killed



Khalid al Mashadani

Senior Iraqi in the al-Qaeda Iraq Network

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Death*

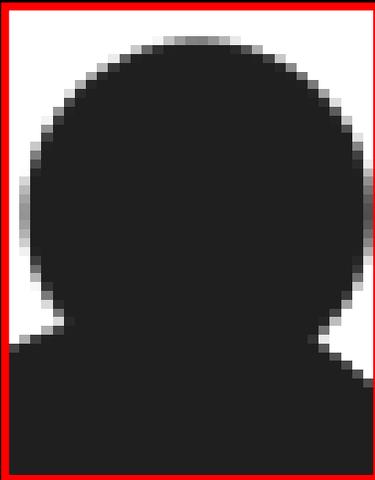




Abu Usama al-Tunisi

Emir of the Southern Belt

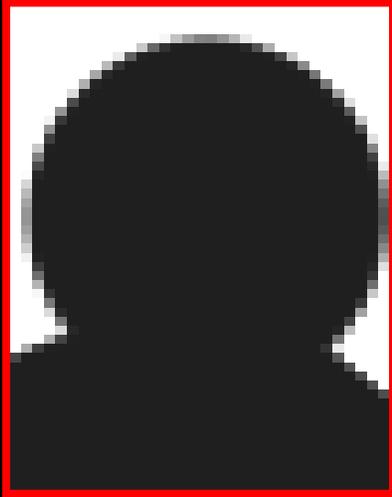
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Muthanna

Emir of Iraq/Syrian border

Killed



Abu Yaqub al Masri

**Member of Original
Leadership of Al-Qaeda Iraq**

Killed

Umar Wahdallah Dod al-Zangana

Baghdad Military Emir



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Al Qaeda in Iraq December 2007

