



(U//FOUO) Staying Focused on Iraq

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(U//FOUO) The Director's [final WARgram](#) on Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) acknowledges his pride in the accomplishments of NSA/CSS in meeting the challenges set before us just over one year ago. I echo that pride, both for those whose mission was specifically linked to OIF and for those who by diligent attention to their mission made our focus on OIF possible.

(S) An important message for the Signals Intelligence Directorate can be found at the end of the second paragraph in the Director's WARgram, it reads: "Although major combat is over, Iraq is still a troubled environment and much work needs to be done." Many of you who remain intimately involved in the Iraqi mission are aware of the issues that underpin this statement. As we seek to rebalance resources and priorities across a broader set of targets, we must ensure that we sustain the right focus on Iraq and the issues attendant to that challenge. The success that was achieved at a cost to so many could be lost if we let our vigilance slip during this crucial period. I urge my leadership team, the Issue Managers, the Phase IV planning team and the Functional Leads to redouble their efforts to maintain the necessary focus and attention to our role in enabling the peace.

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