

1 XIN_ENG_20030324 . 0191 NEWS STORY 20030324 Five killed in coalition bombing on Baghdad 0 BAGHDAD ,

2 March 24 (Xinhua) Five 1 Iraqi 4 civilians , including a woman , were killed Monday when 4 their 5 houses were hit by a missile fired by the 2 US - led 6 coalition warplanes , 7 witnesses said .

3 4 Their 5 houses are located in 3 Al - Azamiyah , 3 one of the most populous areas in the 1 Iraqi 0 capital of 0 Baghdad , 7 they said .

4 One house was destroyed during the strike and casualties have been removed from the 3 area . The 2 US - led 6 coalition forces launched a new round of airstrikes on 0 Baghdad at 2 : 30 p . m . (1130GMT) on Monday .

5 Huge explosions were heard in different parts of 0 Baghdad and air raid siren sounded throughout the capital 0 city , 7 they said , adding that 1 Iraqi anti - aircraft artillery had begun to fire back .

6 Although the 6 coalition leaders have repeatedly assured that every effort would be made to minimize civilian casualties in the current 1 Iraq war , at least 130 1 Iraqi civilians have been reportedly killed since the war started five days ago .

7 According to other reports reaching here , five Syrian 8 bus passengers were killed and 10 others were injured on Sunday morning when a 2 US missile hit the 8 bus they were traveling in near the 1 Iraqi border .

8 The 8 vehicle was carrying Syrians fleeing the war in 1 Iraq .