

Radical Shiite militiamen shout from the top of the governor's house they occupied in the southern city of Basra, Iraq, Monday. About 150 men occupied the building in a dawn invasion, in protest over coalition actions against radical Shia Muslim cleric Moqtada Sadr, seen in poster.

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BAGHDAD, Iraq — The top U.S. administrator in Iraq declared a radical Shiite cleric an “outlaw” Monday after his supporters rioted in Baghdad and four other cities in fighting that killed at least 52 Iraqis, eight U.S. troops and a Salvadoran soldier.

The fiercest battle took place Sunday in the streets of Sadr City, Baghdad’s largest Shiite neighborhood, where black-garbed Shiite militiamen fired from rooftops and behind buildings at U.S. troops, killing the eight Americans. At least 30 Iraqis were killed and more than 110 wounded in the fighting, doctors said.

Violence broke out Monday morning in an other Shiite neighborhood of the capital, al-Shula, where followers of the cleric clashed with a U.S. patrol. An American armored vehicle was seen burning, and an Iraqi man was seen running off with a heavy machine gun apparently taken from the vehicle. A U.S. helicopter hovered overhead. There were no immediate reports of injuries.

Meanwhile, U.S. troops on Monday sealed off Fallujah

the heartland of the insurgency against the American occupation.

A Marine was killed Monday in Anbar province, where Fallujah is located, the military said, without providing further details. On Sunday, a suicide attacker detonated a bomb-laden vehicle as he tried to enter a U.S. base in the northern city of Kirkuk, killing one U.S. soldier and wounding six Americans and six Iraqis, the military said. A roadside bomb killed a U.S. soldier in the city of Mosul.

The violence pushed the U.S. death toll in Iraq to at least 613.

## Sept. 11 panel leaders don't expect big changes in report

WASHINGTON — Leaders of the commission looking into the Sept. 11 attacks don't expect the Bush administration to order major changes to the commission's final report on national security grounds.

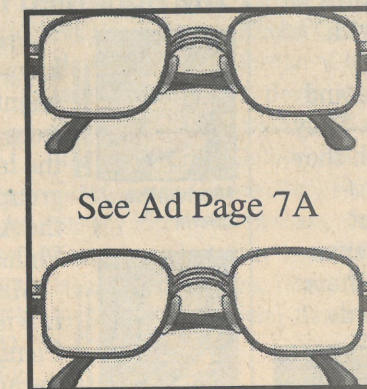
The commission, formed by Congress with President Bush's signature, is due to

sion, for possible security leaks.

“Nobody has any interest in having the report sitting around Washington during the election period and pieces of it leaking out,” the committee chairman, former New Jersey Gov. Thomas H. Kean, said Sunday. “So I think it is in the White House’s interest, our interest, everybody’s interest to get this out in July. And I believe they will.”

The original deadline was May 27 but was extended after complaints about alleged lack of cooperation by the White House.

A major complaint was Bush’s refusal to let Condoleezza Rice, his national



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Donna Lisenby, Catawba RiverKeeper, said the plan is the most balanced she has seen along the Catawba River chain.

“Lake James won’t be only a playground for only the rich who can afford it,” Lisenby said. “It will be for all people.”

Janie Matthews attended the meeting at Table Rock

Middle School late Monday and said she is glad to have the larger plan unveiled instead of just one parcel at a time.

“We really came to find out what the plan was,” Matthews said. “I think it’s a good plan.”

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