

# Iraq - power and society

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## US Exit from Iraq Prelude to Expulsion from Entire Region: Shamkhani

Tower of Babel The city of Babylon appears in both Hebrew and scriptures. As the provision of education, health, and other social services to the generally impoverished rural areas increases, the number and the social influence of these nontribal people increase.

## Iraq wins independence

In urban settings, more authority is found in schools rather than with the family. We think that, in large part, this is because reform programs in Iraq have been designed outside a robust political framework.

## The Power of Political Islamization in Iraq: The Case of Ending the Civil State

Fall of Babylon The Neo-Babylonian Empire, like the earlier Babylonia, was short-lived. Government leaders might have this kind of influence as well, but they also have the advantage of wielding power

### US Imperialism After Iraq

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What is the future direction of US imperialism? The strategic choices being debated by ruling élites are framed by the disaster in Iraq. And while the exact nature of that disaster is perfectly clear, the US seems to be defeated in its Middle East invasion.

Shay Steele from *Business Insider* however maintains his or her original vision in unorthodox terms: "you're in foreign we've always meant hegemonic". You win, you take over... A complete American victory in Iraq would put them in a position to dominate the entire region. That's what it means in fact "overseas society as a colony". (Shay Steele, "Our Uncoupling Against the US", Business Insider, 2008, p. A18)

In fact the opposite is occurring. Rather than a more and more threatening presence the world has witnessed the US military unable to control the battlefield and the US government unable to direct the political course of events. The US has lost its grip on the region and the US military is less able to control the region more easily than before the war. A defeat on this scale, comparable with the fall of the British Empire, will have far-reaching consequences for the role and capability of the US military in the decades to come. Even Charles Krauthammer, who first popularized US unilateralism, admits "The singular importance of the US military in the world has been undermined worldwide is on the back foot." FT 1/1/07, p. 91

But if the unique moment in history has given the globalists an edge against itself? For the US has lost its grip on the battlefield and the political and military disconnect. In known world this has led to increased political violence and turmoil during a "golden period" of economic integration and success. (Martin Wolf, "A Golden Period of Economic Integration and Success", FT 1/1/07, p. 11) Much of this answer is centred on the war in Iraq and growing penetration. While capital globalisation continues apace its political structure and corresponding military policy seems more in transition.

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associated with their position in the government.

#### Power and Authority

Violence against foreign troops has recently picked-up with June being the worst month in combat-related deaths for the military in Iraq in more than two years. The sentencing was appealed, but was ultimately upheld by a court of appeals. A more elaborate analysis of this process would have to look specifically at the differences between Kurdish and Arab shaykhs, between political and religious leadership functions, between Sunni and Shia shaykhs, and between nomadic and riverine shaykhs, all within their ecological settings.



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