

**UNMOVIC IAEA Press Statement on Inspection Activities in Iraq
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An UNMOVIC biological team inspected the Central Public Health Laboratory in Baghdad. This laboratory provides primary and reference clinical laboratory services. Another biological team conducted an inspection of the Plant Protection Division #1 (Abu Ghraib Plant) in Abu Ghraib. This facility is in charge of agricultural quarantine centers and its main activities comprise screening of imported and exported agricultural products and distribution of pesticides.

An UNMOVIC chemical team inspected the Al Nida'a State Company, located in the northwest area of Baghdad. This mechanical facility manufactures various types of equipment, including dual-use items made out of corrosion-resistant materials.

An UNMOVIC team of missile inspectors returned to the Al Samood factory, which had been previously inspected on 14 December. The purpose of the visit was to conduct an accurate counting of missile engines. The factory belongs to the Al Karama State Company, which produces major components of Al Samood missiles and also assembles missiles at the site.

An UNMOVIC multidisciplinary team inspected the Al Mahamoudiyah water treatment plant, located approximately 60 km south of Baghdad. This site is a central chlorine store for water treatment plants outside Baghdad.

The IAEA inspected the Al Sawary Est-Jihad site, situated just northwest of Baghdad. The site comprises two factories: the Resin Plant and the Fiberglass Plant. The Resin Plant produces resins. The Fiberglass Plant is not operational. The purpose of the visit was to review if any changes had taken place at the site since 1998.

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