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~ By *John Doe*



**ABOVE:** (TAJI, IRAQ / DEC. 28, 2004) A young Iraqi child sleeps while Spc. Jesse LeBlanc of the Black Sheep searches for weapons in a house near Taji, Iraq.  
JOSEPH GIORDONO/STARS AND STRIPES

**RIGHT:** Pfc. James Watson of Company B, 5th Battalion, 20th Infantry Regiment keeps a lookout while a woman moves from a room about to be raided by 2nd Infantry Division soldiers in Gab Adr, Iraq. SETH ROBSON, STARS & STRIPES

**OPPOSITE:** (KIRKUK, IRAQ / MAY 2003) 1st Lt. Chris Kenny, of Company B, 2nd Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment, from Vilseck, Germany, shares a meal with Kurdish security officer Jeter Asatt. Asatt was guarding a palace in southwest Kirkuk, which Kenny's company is responsible for patrolling. The meal included Kurdish dolmas (savory grape leaves stuffed with rice), cabbage, rice, soup, bread and hot tea.  
MARNI MCENTEE/STARS AND STRIPES

**PREVIOUS:** (MARCH, 2003) Marines line up behind a road barrier as they secure a key bridge along a main supply route during the march to Baghdad, Iraq.  
MARK OLIVA/STARS AND STRIPES





**OPPOSITE LEFT:** (BAGHDAD / APRIL 4, 2004) Soldiers of the 1st Armored Division watch supporters of anti-American Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr protest in Baghdad, Sunday. They were protesting the purported arrest of an al-Sadr aide, the closing of the pro-al-Sadr Hawza newspaper, and the alleged death of two supporters in Baghdad during a protest on Saturday. Another protest in front of the gate of the coalition's Green Zone kept it closed most of the day. On Friday, al-Sadr urged followers to strike back at officials and appointees of the U.S.-led occupation.

MICHAEL ABRAMS

**OPPOSITE TOP:** A group of 2nd Infantry Division soldiers from Company B, 5th Battalion, 20th Infantry Regiment, prepares to raid a house in Gab Adr, Iraq, on Sunday. SETH ROBSON/STARS & STRIPES

**OPPOSITE MIDDLE:** (JAN. 17, 2004) Seventy tons of Iraqi ordnance explode into a ball of fire. JIM SCHULZ/STARS AND STRIPES

**OPPOSITE BOTTOM:** (OCT. 20, 2004) Soldiers with the 302nd Transportation Company practice dismounted convoy defense before a live-fire training exercise at Logistics Support Area Anaconda, Iraq. The training is designed to prepare them for convoy duty. JULIANA GITTLER/STARS AND STRIPES

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# STARS AND STRIPES

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## U.S. strikes at Saddam



U.S. NAVY, PHOTOGRAPHER'S MATE 2ND CLASS (AW) RICHARD MOORE/AP

The first Tomahawk missile to be fired into Iraq is launched from USS Bunker Hill on Thursday.

Tomahawks,  
F-117As hit Iraq

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**LEFT:** (APRIL 24, 2003) Capt. Scott Ulmer pats the midriff of his wife, Capt. Tonya Ulmer, shortly after he alighted from his F-16CJ fighter at Misawa Air Base, Japan, Thursday. Ulmer and five other 14th Fighter Squadron pilots returned to Japan from a stint of duty in Southwest Asia where they flew Operation Iraqi Freedom sorties over Iraq. The Ulmers are expecting a daughter in about a month.

WAYNE SPECHT/STARS AND STRIPES

**OPPOSITE TOP:** (WITH THE 212TH MOBILE ARMY SURGICAL HOSPITAL, CENTRAL IRAQ / 06 APRIL 03) Medics wheel an injured soldier, just unloaded from a Black Hawk medivac helicopter, into the 212th MASH during a sandstorm earlier this week. STEVE LIEWER

**OPPOSITE BOTTOM:** Spc. Stacy Miller of the Illesheim-based 2nd Squadron, 6th Cavalry Regiment grabs a few winks as the convoy of 11th Aviation Regiment units stops along Highway 1, near An Nasiriyah in southern Iraq. There were few opportunities for soldiers to sleep during the three-day trip from Camp Udairi, Kuwait, to 11th Aviation's new base in central Iraq, so they slept where and when they could. PHOTOG NEEDED

**OPPOSITE RIGHT:** (BAGHDAD, IRAQ / MAY 28, 2003) Staff Sgt. Donte Hubbard tries to straighten out a plastic water pipe after a Bradley Fighting Vehicle crushed its ceramic covering. MARNI MCENTEE/STARS AND STRIPES