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WMD Association at Presidential Sites Unlikely to be Revealed By Inspections

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[redacted] Saddam Hussein's presidential sites *have been linked to Iraq's proscribed WMD programs*

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[redacted] However, we assess that even with immediate and complete access, inspections of presidential sites may not yield evidence of continuing WMD programs because sensitive materials at the sites are configured for quick removal [redacted]

[redacted] the US has pressed for access to these sites, Baghdad already may have relocated WMD-related materials. Iraq could resist inspections to deceive the UN into believing sites contain WMD materials with the intent of eventually allowing inspections to demonstrate that they contain no prohibited items.

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(U) Presidential Sites and Their Status

[redacted] The declared areas included the Republican Palace Presidential Site—comprising the Republican Palace and other important Iraqi Government buildings—and the Presidential Sites at Radwanayah, Tikrit, Tharthar, Sijood, Jabal Makhul, Mosul, and Basrah [redacted]

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(U) Evidence of WMD at Presidential Sites

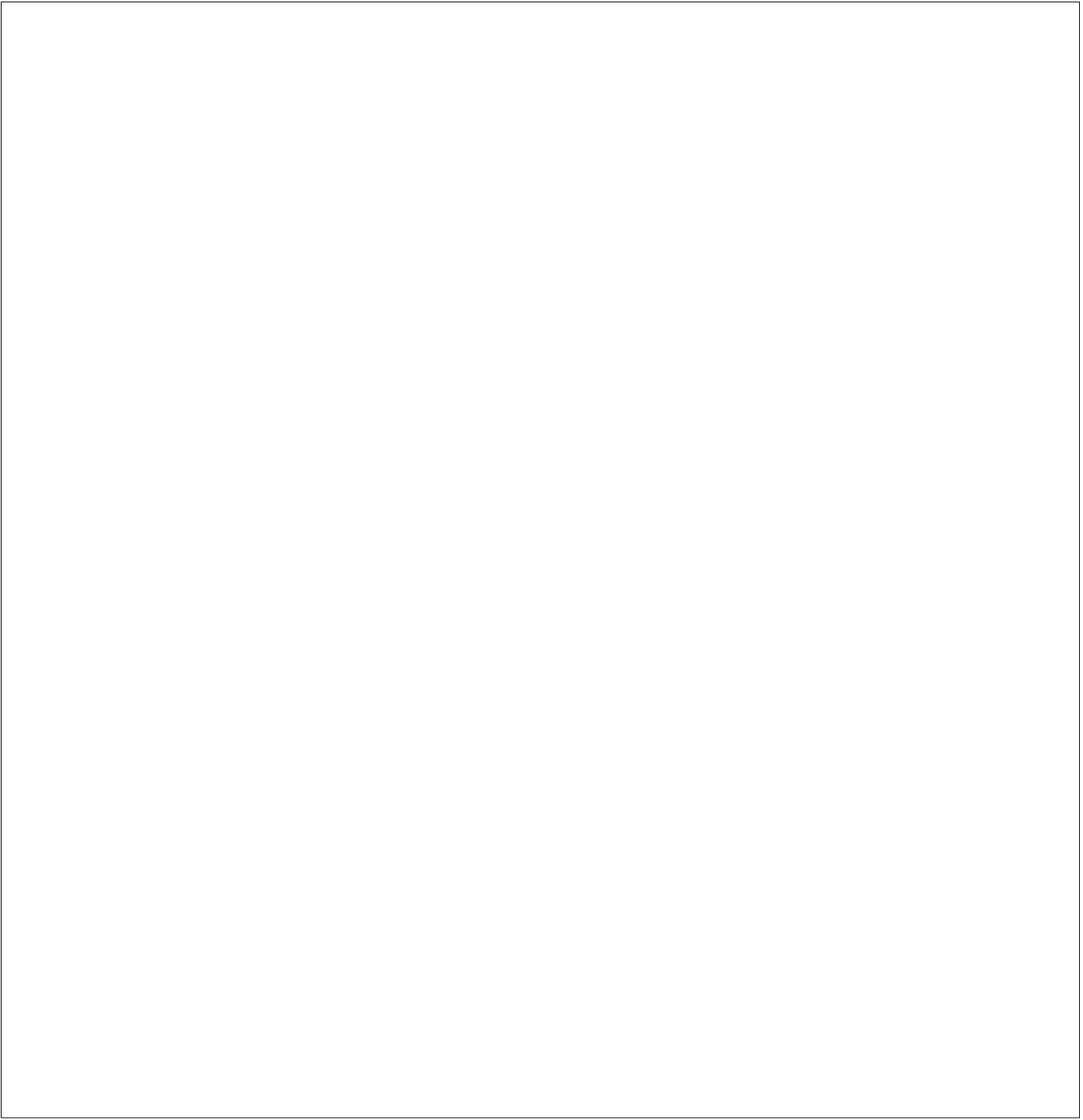
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sites to WMD activity—such as housing facilities for WMD research, offices of WMD personnel and storing and concealing WMD materials, equipment

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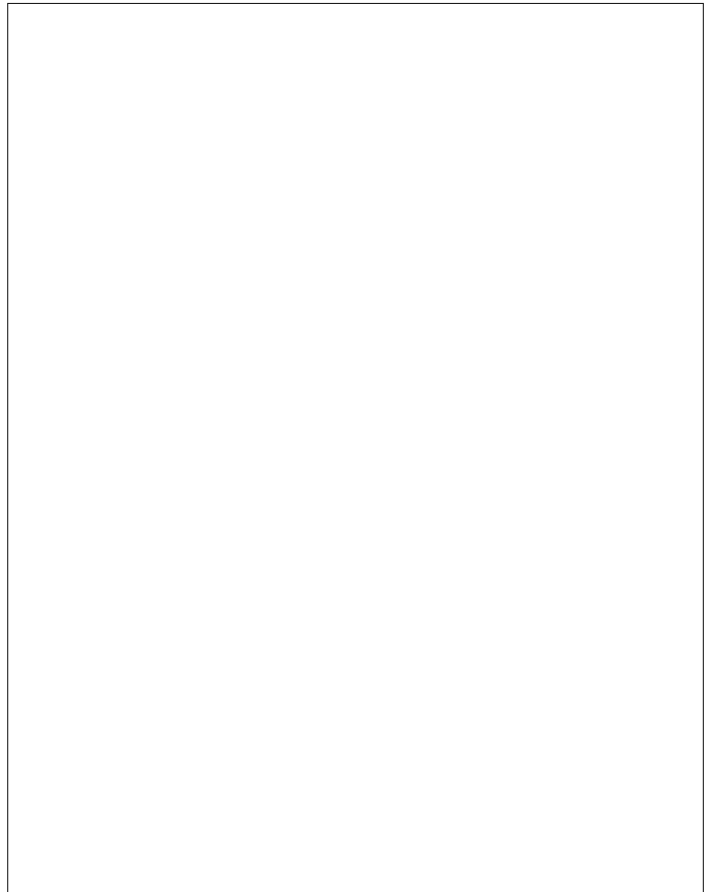
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and documents. [redacted]

The Republican Palace Presidential Site

[redacted] Mobile BW laboratories, managed by key BW figure Rihab Taha, in 1998 were stored in the Republican Palace garage when not in use, according to a former Iraqi [redacted] officer. [redacted]



Other Facilities

[redacted] We suspect other facilities also support WMD and missile research and storage.

