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**Quote**

“ The US military cannot be expected to maintain a force of this strength engaged in this form of combat indefinitely. It does not need to. It only has to stay until the point where sufficiently large numbers of the Iraqi Army and police units are in place and there is a political settlement in Baghdad that all sides deem acceptable. If the will is there, much of what needs to be accomplished could be realised in several months, not several years.”

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This item argues against the position Coalition troops should pull out on the topic Post-invasion Iraq.

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