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Iraq Directorate

Iraq: Proposed Changes to Travel in Southern Iraq for
HMG Civilian Staff

The Foreign Secretary was grateful for your submission of 19 December and for the comments of Dr Howells.

The Foreign Secretary agrees with your recommendations that:

- 1) all HMG civilian staff be allowed to travel in British Military Warrior Armoured Fighting Vehicles for journey's within Basra city.
- 2) UK Civilian Police Officers may travel with the contracted British Iraqi Police Advisers in their FCO armoured vehicles.
- 3) Road moves outside Basra City should commence in FCO armoured vehicles between Basra airport and Nasariyah and the border of Kuwait.

The Foreign Secretary agrees with these recommendations on the proviso that these security rules are subject to regular review.



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