



Weekly Report

Iraq

Emily Mitchell

**MARCH 24-29,
2014**

- 1** Sunni assassination attempt
- 2** Bombings in Baghdad
- 3** Diyala threatens to boycott elections

“Violence has escalated in Iraq over the past year. Last year, the country saw the highest death toll since the worst of the country's sectarian bloodletting began to subside in 2007, according to United Nations figures.”

Source: Al Jazeera America

Sunni assassination attempt

- Sunni lawmaker, Salim al-Jubouri escaped an assassination attempt from a bomb in the Ghalibiya district of Baghdad.
- The roadside bomb hit Jubouri's convoy killing 2 bodyguards and wounding 7.
- Source: Al Jazeera America
<http://america.aljazeera.com/articles/2014/3/25/attack-kills-29-peopleiniraq.html>

Bombings in Baghdad

- A suicide bomber crashed an explosive-laden tanker into a security checkpoint in northern Baghdad, killing 6 soldiers, 3 civilians and wounding 21 people.
- A car bomb in western Baghdad killed 4 and wounded 12. While another bomb in Baghdad's southern suburbs killed 1 and wounded 5.
- No one has claimed responsibility for the attacks.
- Source: UT San Diego
<http://www.utsandiego.com/news/2014/mar/25/attacks-kill-26-people-in-iraq/>

Diyala threatens to boycott elections

- Militants have been attempting to take control over towns in Diyala province.
- Lawmakers in Diyala are threatening to boycott the upcoming election scheduled for April 30 2014 due to deteriorating security conditions.
- Source: Antiwar.com
<http://original.antiwar.com/updates/2014/03/25/68-killed-81-wounded-as-iraq-election-commission-quits/>