11 March 1917 Ottoman Ministry of War forced Halil to surrender Baghdad to the British

1927 OIL IS DISCOVERED

1930-1958 Iraq was a satellite of Britain via The Anglo-Iraq Treaty (1920-1927)

- 1939 Control of Water Sources by building dams.
- 1950 82 hospitals operational
- Initial phase of the Mosul Dam Project begins with multinational corporations and experts
- 1950’s The beginning of foreign exploitation tension
- 1954 Iraq, with WHO and UNICEF assistance, create a medical training center

1958 NATIONALIST ARMY REVOLT OF THE FREE OFFICERS

General Abd al-Karim Qasim Dictatorship

- 1961 Kuwait is independent of Britain, and ensues a border conflict.
- 1961 Iraq was a founding member of the cartel of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and was among the first oil producing countries to nationalize some of its oil fields in 1961

1963 BA’ATHIST COUP TO OVERTHROW QASIM

1968-1979 PRESIDENT HASAN AL-BAKR

- 1975 Kurds, Turkomans, and Assyrians are displaced under ethnic, religious, and sectarian scrutiny

1976 SUNNI-ARBANATIONALIST SADDAM HUSSEIN SEIZED POWER WITH THE BA’ATH PARTY

- Irrigation Projects drained southern marshlands forcing residents to migrate
- 1979 Islamic Revolution in Iran was exploited by an invasion by Iraq leading to eight years of war


- 1980 German, Japanese, Austrian, and Italian contractors begin construction of the Mosul Dam
- 1984 Completion of the Mosul Dam

1990 IRAQ ATTEMPTS TO INVADE KUWAIT AGAIN

- Iraq attempts to destroy government records in order to obtain Kuwait territory
- 1991 Kurdistan (Kurdish region of Iraq) establishes an autonomous status
- Unikom

1990 UN RESOLUTIONS ON IRAQ

1990-1995 MEDICAL SUPPLY/STAFF SHORTAGES WITH RISE OF WATERBORNE DISEASES

- 1996 UN Oil-For-Food Programme
- 1997 first shipment of food and supplies under the Oil-for-Food Agreements with the UN but refused to allow UN inspection teams in 1998
- 1997 Turkey Agreement for Gas Pipeline
- 1999 Shia Oppression and assassinations of leaders begins
- 1999 UN Resolution 1284 (confirmation of humanitarian resources are delivered and distributed, UNMOVIC inspections, humanitarian assistance to IDP, mine-clearance programme)
- 1999 Infant Mortality Rate Doubles

2000-2003 UN PLACES HEAVY SANCTIONS


2003 MARCH: US & COALITION FORCES INVADES IRAQ

- 2003 April UN Security Council Resolution 1483, passed on 22 May 2003, recognized the CPA as the legal occupying power in Iraq, and mandated The Coalition Provisional Authority
(CPA) to establish a temporary Iraqi governing authority.

THE RISE OF INSURGENCY

2005 MAJOR POLITICAL SHIFT TO SHIA RULE

- 2005 January National Elections with a low Sunni turnout
- 2005 June Jalal Talabani is sworn in as President
- 2005 June Massoud Barzani sworn in as the new regional president of Iraqi Kurdistan
- 2005 July NGO and humanitarian personnel are targeted for violence
- 2005 October Constitution passes
- 2005 Palestinian refugees feel the neglect of Shia government dominance
- 2005 UNHCR reports 350,000 stateless persons in Iraq among 150 different tribes tribal justice systems conflict with proposed new judiciary and legal system

2006 decline in integrity of security, increase in bombings and violence.

- 2006 reports of Shia led counterattacks and human right violations against Sunni-Ba’ath party members.
- 2006 March Curfews begin
- 2007-2010 violence decreases, sectarian segregation in the capitol…calm before the storm
- 2007 Kurdish Oil Contracts and Profit problems

2010 US WITHDRAWS

- Iraq National Development Plan, 2010-2014
- 2010 Security Ministry Elections Controversy

2010-2011 RISE OF AL-QA’IDA

- 2011 Vice-President Tariq al-Hashini on terrorism charges, tried, found guilty, and sentenced to death by hanging
- 2012 PM al-Malaki and allies dominated the government, and protest increased
- Sanctions lifted in Iran and a reemergence into the Oil Industry induces drastic changes in the market

RISE OF IS/ISIS/ISIL

- 2013-2014 Violent year

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