## Press Releases: Deputy Secretary Sullivan's Meeting With Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi

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The below is attributable to Spokesperson Heather Nauert:

On October 14, Deputy Secretary Sullivan met in Baghdad with Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi. Deputy Secretary Sullivan congratulated Prime Minister Abadi and all Iraqis on their commitment to the democratic process and their formation of a new government. The Deputy Secretary thanked the Prime Minister for his steadfast leadership in the battle against ISIS and reiterated the United States' commitment to continued security, political, and economic cooperation with Iraq within the framework of the U.S.-Iraq Strategic Framework Agreement.

The meeting included a discussion with visiting leadership from the General Electric Company on the importance of expanding Iraq's economic ties and increasing foreign investment to facilitate reconstruction, specifically by harnessing the innovative capabilities of U.S. companies.

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