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Kurdistan Region to host "Rebuild Iraq" Fair in November

The Iraqi-American Chamber of Commerce and Industry (IACCI) will organize a "Rebuild Iraq" fair which will be held in Sulaimaniyah in the Kurdistan region November 11th to 14th. An official source in the IACCI said that the Chamber has invited major US and European companies and that many of those companies are planning to invest in Iraq.

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Iraq prepares to join the WTO

The Director of the Public Relations office in the Iraqi Ministry of Trade said that the Minister has drafted a plan for Iraq to join the World Trade Organization (WTO). As a first step the ministry delegated a group of trade specialists to visit Saudi Arabia to learn from the experience of this country in joining the WTO. He added that the Minister discussed the possibility of US support in this effort with the US Secretary of Commerce and the US Secretary of Agriculture.

Al-Adala

Mike Oil Company to build new oil refinery in Kurdistan

The Iraqi Minister of Oil in Kurdistan signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Mike Oil Company to build a refinery in the region with the capacity of 250,000 barrels per day. An official source in the Ministry said that the new refinery will cost 2.9 billion US dollars.

Al-Sabah

The Rebuilding Committee of Maiysan signs contract with Iranian company

The Deputy Chief of the Rebuilding Committee in the Maiysan governorate said that the committee signed a contract with an Iranian company to import communications maintenance materials and equipment. He added that the materials will include communications cables, tools for testing damaged cables, and other damage-determination tools.

Al-Mada

Japan and the World Bank offer infrastructure grants to Iraq

The Iraqi Minister of Municipalities visited Amman to meet a delegation from the World Bank and a delegation from the International Aid Japanese Bank. An official source in the ministry said that Japan and the World Bank offered grants for infrastructure projects in Iraq.

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Egypt to host first Arabic "Rebuild Fair" in September

The Iraqi Minister of Trade announced that Egypt will host the first Arabic "Rebuild Fair" on September 4th and that Iraq will participate in the fair along with members of the Egyptian government and many Arabic businessmen. The Minister said that he has drafted suggestions and recommendations for activating economic relations between Arab countries.

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