

## **R O U N D - U P**

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### **South Company plans to build oil port in Basrah**

An official in the Al-Basrah Port said that the state-owned "South Company" is willing to build a huge oil port in Al-Basrah governorate. He added that this is part of a bigger project to build a commercial port in the same governorate. Construction of the oil port will start as soon as the new Iraqi Minister of Transportation is officially appointed and is scheduled for completion in one year.

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### **Iraq participates in trade conference in Holland**

The Iraqi International Chamber of Commerce and Industry (IICCI) is organizing a trade conference in cooperation with the Holland Trade Center in Rotterdam. The Chairman of the Chamber said that this conference will be held between October 8<sup>th</sup> and October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2006. He added that 100 Iraqi businessmen and representatives from 100 Dutch companies will attend.

***Al-Mashriq***

### **Iraq discusses reactivating economic relations with Jordan**

The Jordanian Minister of Planning said that the Jordanian-Iraqi Higher Committee will have a meeting in Amman next month. The Minister added that the Higher Committee is waiting for the Iraqi side to name their representatives to the Higher Committee branches in Jordan. The two parties will discuss the possibility of reactivating economic relations between the two countries in fields such as trade, transportation, oil, electricity, communications and IT.

***Al-Adala***

### **UN participates in rebuilding Kurdistan region**

The Chairman of the Kurdistan Region Parliament met with a delegation of the United Nations to discuss the investment law of Kurdistan and infrastructure projects in the region. The Head of the delegation confirmed that the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) will support infrastructure and investment projects in Kurdistan.

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### **Holland invests in Kurdistan region**

The Minister of Agriculture in Kurdistan met the Dutch Minister of Agriculture during his visit to the Netherlands and signed a protocol for cooperation. One of the projects mentioned in the protocol is to start a new Danish dairy company in the region with a capital of ten million Euros (approximately 12,796,316 USD).

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