

## Location of Iraq

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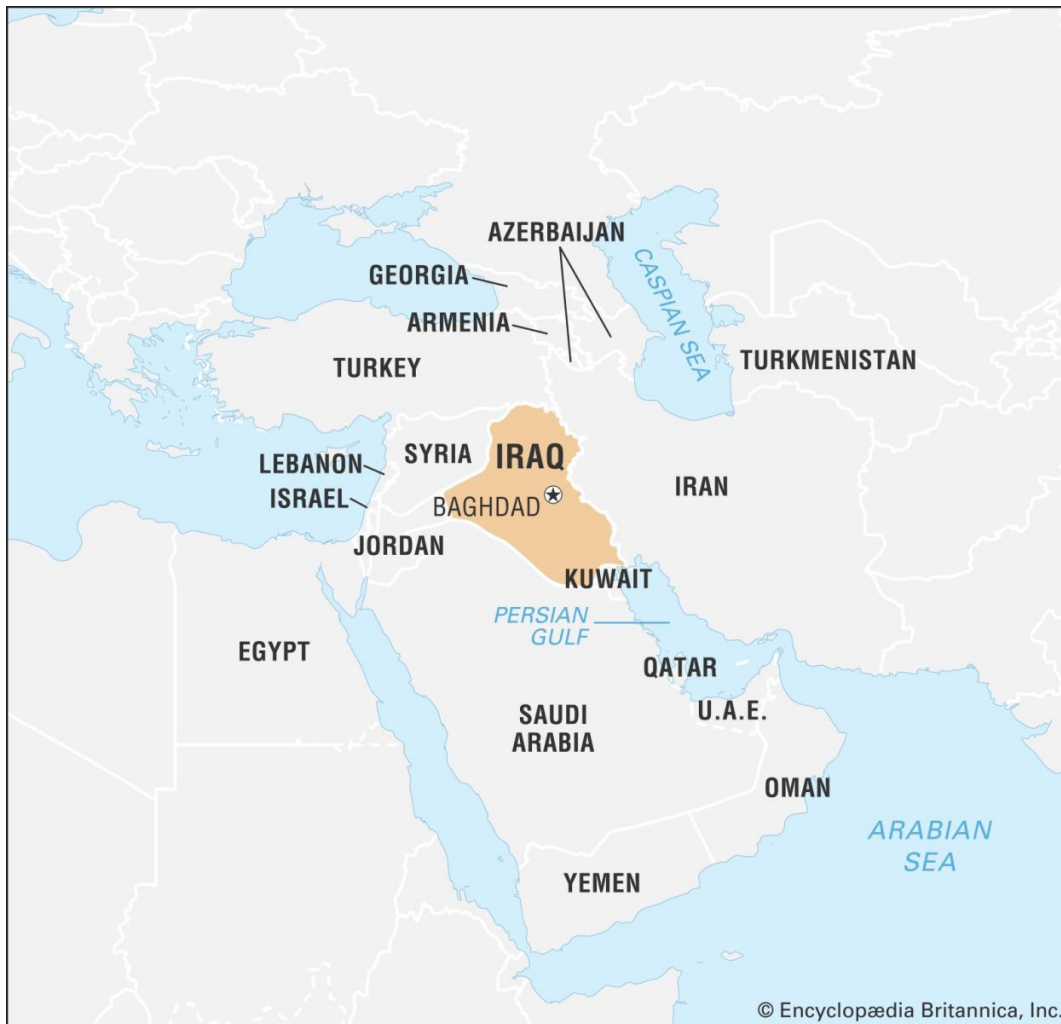
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Iraq's request to end the UN mission (UNAMI) by 2025 suggests a desire for greater independence in handling internal affairs.



[Ref: The New Arab]

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- Iraq is a federal parliamentary republic, divided into 18 governorates for local administration.
- It is situated in the heart of the **Middle East**, Iraq shares borders with **Turkey, Iran, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, and Syria**.
- The **Tigris and Euphrates rivers**, cradles of ancient **Mesopotamian civilizations**, are vital for agriculture and remain a source of regional tension due to shared water rights.
- The **Sinjar Mountains** provide refuge for minority groups, while the Zagros Mountains along the Iranian border mark a natural geographic boundary.
- **Lake Razzaza**, once a significant source of freshwater, is at risk of drying up, highlighting Iraq's vulnerability to water scarcity.