IRAQ

FAILING TO DISARM

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Iraq Is Hiding Evidence

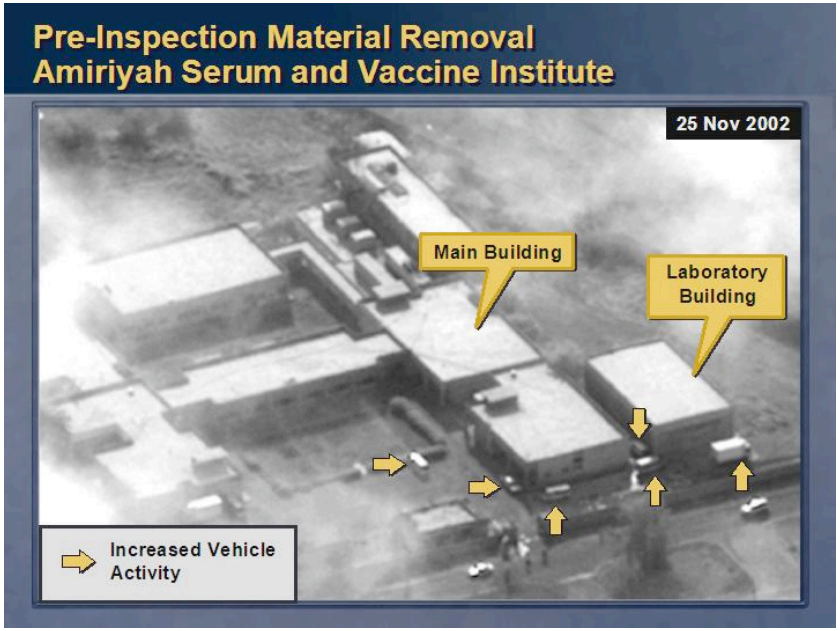
Conversation between two Iraqi military officers, November 26, 2002

Col: we have this modified vehicle…..

Gen: I'm worried you all have something left.

Col: We evacuated everything. We don't have anything left.

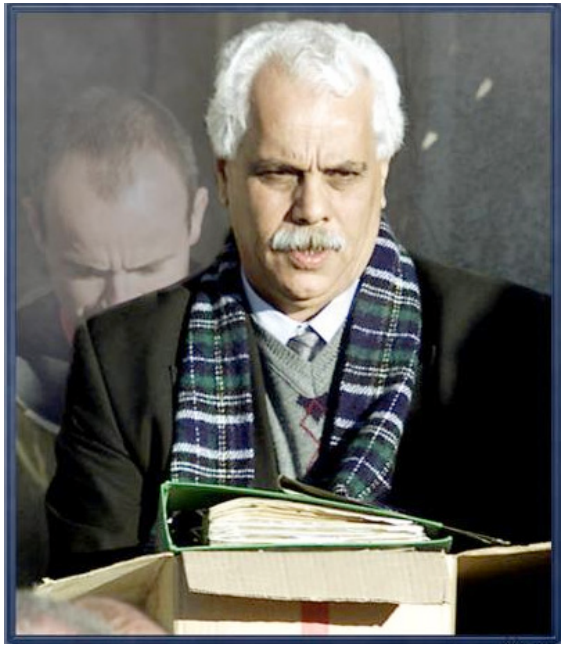
Iraqi trucks removing materials from sites to be inspected



Iraq Is Muzzling Its Scientists

Individuals with access report documents are being hidden in private homes and cars

Documents found in the home of an Iraqi scientist

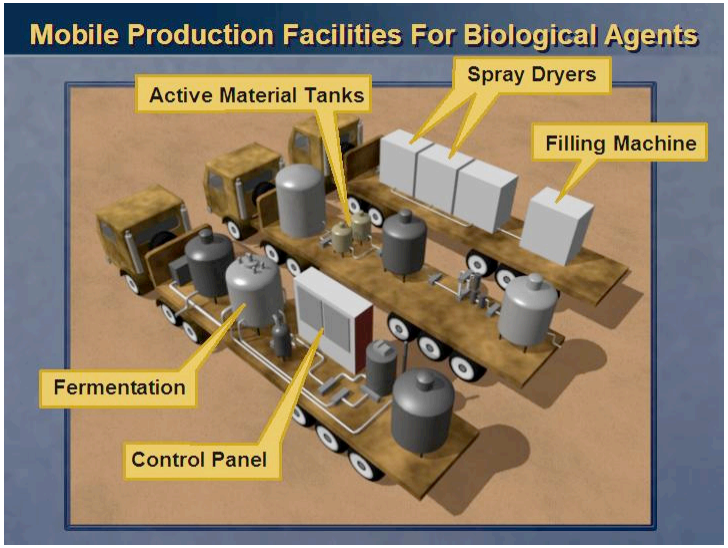


Saddam has:

- Arrested scientists
- Forced scientists to sign documents acknowledging that divulging information is punishable by death
- Even issued a false death certificate for one scientist.

Iraq Is Hiding Dangerous Weapons

After inspectors revealed his earlier biological program, Saddam built biological weapons factories on wheels



Instructions relayed to an officer in the field, January 2003

A: Capt. Ibrahim?

B: I am with you, sir.

A: Remove.. the expression… **nerve agents**… whenever it comes up.. in the wireless instructions.

B: Consider it done, sir.

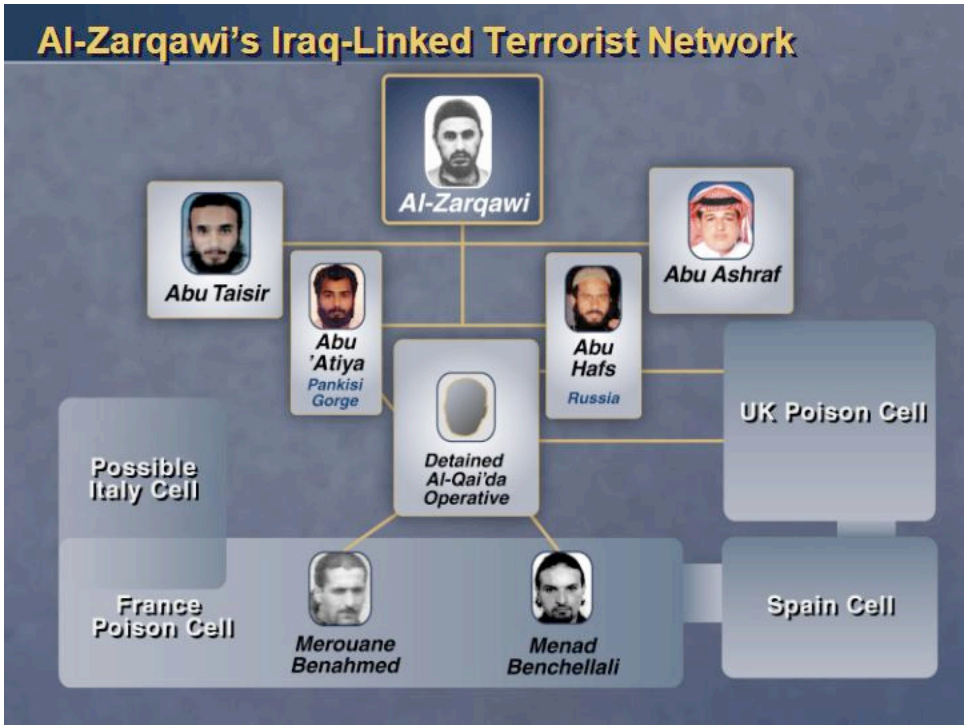
Iraq Still Seeks Nuclear Weapons

- Iraq ordered aluminum tubes from 11 countries with specifications much higher than needed for rockets

- Through a complex network of front companies, Iraq has been ordering magnets, balancing machines and other equipment, along with the tubes, used to enrich uranium

Iraq Is Harboring Terrorists, Including Al Qaida

A senior Al Qaida associate and collaborator, Al Zarqawi, established a network of poison cells centered on Iraq



Iraq Has Refused To Disarm Peacefully

- Iraq's actions to hide and cover up evidence constitute a deliberate campaign to prevent any meaningful inspection work.
- We believe Iraq is in material breach of UN Security Council Resolution 1441.
- Iraq's weapons of mass destruction are a real and present danger to the people of Iraq, its neighbors and the world.
- Terrorist groups could use these horrible weapons anywhere in the world.