

BATTLE FOR BAGHDAD

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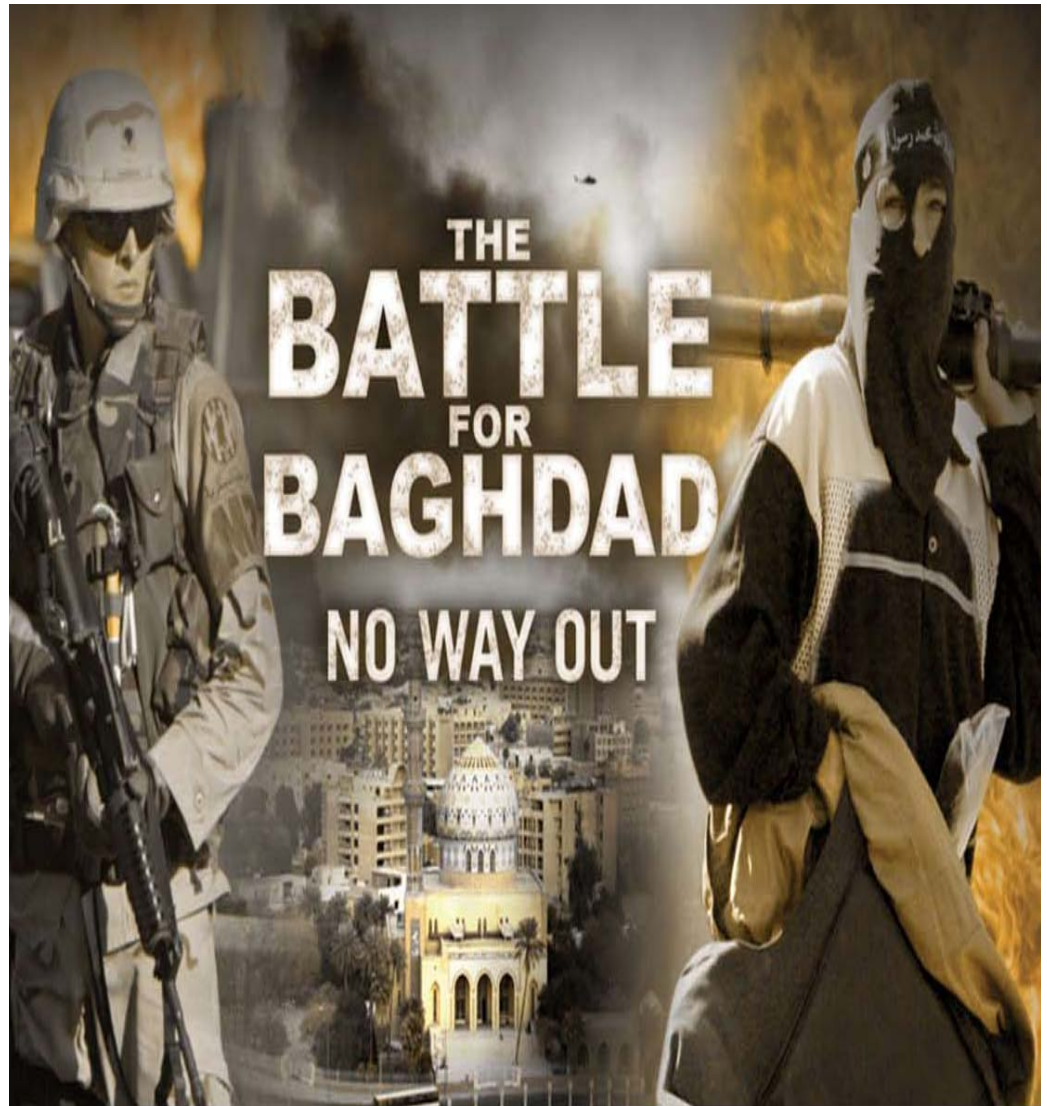


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What went wrong in Baghdad...

SYNOPSIS

Baghdad. This city on the Tigris River, the second largest in the Arab world was once a centre of learning and commerce. Today, it is the scene of almost unimaginable destruction and chaos, torn apart by four years of war, insurgency and now sectarian violence.

Before it started, then U.S. Defence Secretary Donald Rumsfeld told Americans that the war in Iraq would last anywhere from 5 days to 5 months. "It certainly isn't going to last any longer than that," he said. Four years later that promise lies in shreds. 150 thousand American troops are still stationed in Iraq and more are arriving every day.

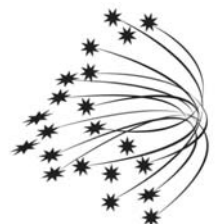
3,500 coalition soldiers, 6000 Iraqi military and an estimated 60,000 Iraqi civilians are dead. President George W. Bush has admitted the fighting will still be going on long after he leaves office.

The President has said that the security of North America hinges on Iraq. Certainly the security and peace in the Middle East does. So well might security and peace in the entire world.

Iraq turns on what happens in its capital, Baghdad where the fighting is fiercest and the losses greatest, is the crucial battleground.

If coalition forces lose the capital, then the war is lost - and the war on terror takes on a new, unpredictable and potentially frightening dimension.

THE BATTLE FOR BAGHDAD is the story of what went wrong... how America got trapped on those streets...as told by some of the top commanders who fought the war and the *New York Times* correspondents who cover it.



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