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## IRAQ ARMY TO SECURE POST-DAESH MOSUL UNTIL POLICE READY

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The Iraqi army will remain responsible for security in the northern city of Mosul until local police forces restore their pre-Daesh capabilities, a military spokesman said Monday.

There are no plans to withdraw military units from newly recaptured Mosul; its still too early for that, Brigadier-General Yehia Rasul, a spokesman for the armys joint operations command, told Anadolu Agency.

Were partially relying on the Nineveh police command, which fought alongside the military [during the campaign to retake Mosul], to secure liberated parts of the city, Rasul said.

He went on to assert that local police forces must bolster their security capabilities with a view to eventually assuming the task of maintaining order in liberated areas.

Last month, following a nine-month-long campaign, the Iraqi army recaptured Mosul from Daesh, which overran the city in mid-2014.

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