
PMF EXPECTED TO UNDERMINE IRAQ PM'S ORDER TO INTEGRATE IN MILITARY

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Iraqi Prime Minister Adel Abdul Mahdis decree for the Popular Mobilization Forces (PMF) to integrate into the military continued to reverberate within the forces and beyond. Debates have raged over the extent to which the PMF will comply with Abdul Mahdis order and the reason that prompted him to issue it in the first place and whether it was related to recent tensions between [missing text].

On July 1, Abdul Mahdi ordered the integration of the PMF into the military, stressing the need to end all armed presence outside the authority of the state. Groups have until July 31 to comply.

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