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**IRAQ PM ADEL ABDUL MAHDI CONCERNED ABOUT INTEGRATION OF IRANIAN MILITIAS INTO ARMY**

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Iraqi Prime Minister Adel Abdul Mahdi has raised concerns over the integration of the Iranian-backed militias into the countrys armed forces, after some of the factions expressed their reservations.

The militias fall under the umbrella of Iraqs Popular Mobilisation Forces (PMF), a collection of mostly Shiite militias that fought ISIS and were incorporated into the Iraqi armed forces in 2016.

Together they number more than 140,000 fighters, and while they fall under the authority of Iraqs prime minister, the PMFs top heads are politically aligned with Iran.

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