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## TRUMP MEETS KRG LEADER, IRAQI PRESIDENT IN DAVOS

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U.S. President Donald Trump on Wednesday met with Iraq's Kurdish Regional Government's leader Nechirvan Barzani and his Iraqi counterpart, Barhem Saleh, in Switzerland.

Trump's separate meetings took place on the sidelines of World Economic Forum in Davos.

Barzani used the gathering to thank the U.S. leader, saying "we've been, quite a long time, waiting for that moment."

He said Washington and Erbil worked together to defeat the Daesh/ISIS terror group. Trump responded "right".

While hosting the Iraqi president, Trump highlighted cooperation between the two countries on military and anti-Daesh efforts.

Saleh echoed the U.S. president, saying both countries "had an enduring relationship"

"The United States has been a partner to Iraq and in the war against ISIS. This mission needs to be accomplished," said Saleh.

On a question if Washington will withdraw troops from Iraq, Trump said the U.S. and Iraq are talking about "a lot of different things and youll be hearing whatever we do."

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