
'TODAY IS A MESSAGE': ANTI-GOVERNMENT PROTESTS RESUME IN IRAQ

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Anti-establishment protesters again spilled onto the streets of cities across Iraq on Sunday, ending months of relative calm just days after Prime Minister Mustafa Kadhimis government came to power.

Protests first erupted in Baghdad and Shia-majority southern cities in October, demanding an end to corruption and unemployment and an overhaul of the ruling class.

More than 600 protesters were killed in a crackdown by Iraqi government forces who resorted to live fire to suppress the demonstrations and sit-ins.

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