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IRAQ'S NEW PREMIER VISITS IRAN, HIS FIRST VISIT ABROAD

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Iraq's new prime minister arrived in Iran on Tuesday, his first official visit abroad since taking office more than two months ago, Iranian media reported.

State television showed footage of Mustafa al-Kadhimi landing at Tehran's Mehrabad airport. The TV said al-Khadhimi would meet top Iranian leaders, including Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and President Hassan Rouhani.

"We hope to have constructive talks for deepening relations" between the two nations, said Iran's government spokesman Ali Rabiei.

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