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KUWAIT RECEIVES REMAINS OF 21 CAPTIVES FROM IRAQ

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The Kuwaiti Embassy in Baghdad said on Wednesday it had received from the Iraqi government the remains of 21 captives who went missing during the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait in 1990.

"According to initial indications, it is believed that the remains belong to Kuwaiti prisoners and missing who were found in the desert of Samawa in southern Iraq," Kuwaits charge d'affaires Mohammad Al-Wuqayyan said in statements cited by the official KUNA news agency.

He said the remains would undergo DNA tests in Kuwait to verify their identities. The Kuwaiti diplomat thanked the Iraqi government for efforts to address this "humanitarian issue" and the UN Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI) for providing logistical support.

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