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## **HASHD AL SHAABI-KDP CLASH ADDS A NEW LAYER TO IRAQ CONFLICT**

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In the turbulent Iraqi capital of Baghdad, located between the two great rivers of the Middle East - the Euphrates and Tigris - weekends were once about relaxing across beautiful riverside locations.

Since the 2003 US invasion of Iraq, the capitals undependable security has ultimately pushed people to stay at home over going out given the constant threat of bombings or clashes.

On Saturday, the headquarters of the Kurdistan Democratic Party (KDP), the most powerful political entity within Iraqs predominantly Kurdish region, were attacked by Hashd al Shaabi, the countrys most powerful Shia militia umbrella group.

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