
US WITHDRAWS DIPLOMATS FROM BAGHDAD EMBASSY 'TO MINIMISE RISK'

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The American embassy in Baghdad has partially withdrawn its staff due to new security concerns over the activities of pro-Iran militias.

Washington has been outraged by the dozens of rocket attacks and roadside bombs targeting its mission and other US military installations across Iraq over the last year.

The partial withdrawal appears to be the result of fresh security concerns, one Iraqi official told AFP.

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