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the Political Process in Iraq

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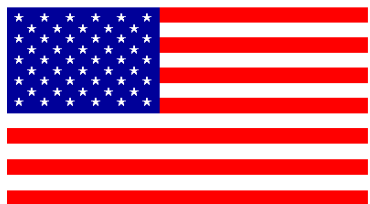
Adil Abdul Mahdi, First Deputy President of Iraq

Introduced by

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Adil Abdul Mahdi was elected First Deputy President by the Transitional National Assembly following Iraq's general elections in January 2005. Previously, he served as Finance Minister in the Interim Iraqi Government and was an alternate on the Iraqi Governing Council, where he played a leading role in the drafting of the Transitional Administrative Law. A 1963 graduate of Baghdad University, he served in the Foreign Ministry of Iraq, but as a longtime opponent to Saddam's regime, he was dismissed from the Ministry and forced to flee Iraq in the late 1960s. Upon his return, Vice President Mahdi helped established Al-Adala, one of the most widely distributed newspapers in Iraq. He is the author of numerous articles and books, including an encyclopedia of economics.

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