

# *Three U.S. Citizens Kidnapped in Iraq as UN Reports Staggering Civilian Death Toll*

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Baghdad, January 20 (RHC)-- In Iraq, security forces have been going door to door, searching homes in areas of the capital Baghdad after three U.S. contractors went missing.

The three U.S. citizens were reportedly kidnapped by militiamen from an apartment described by some Iraqi authorities as a brothel.

Meanwhile, a new United Nations tally describes a "staggering civilian death toll" from violence in Iraq, with nearly 19,000 civilians killed from the beginning of 2014 through October.

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