

Baghdad bomb hits bus, kills three

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BAGHDAD -- A roadside bomb blast in a residential area of Baghdad struck a bus Monday and killed three civilians, the Interior Ministry reported. The explosion also injured 15 people and completely destroyed the bus, the Kuwaiti news agency KUNA reported. A statement released Monday by the Sunni General Council for the People of Iraq party confirmed one of its political advisers had been gunned down in Baghdad last Thursday, the report said. The party is part of a coalition that holds 44 of the 275 parliamentary seats. There was no report of further violence in the predominantly Shiite part of Baghdad called Sadr City, where a day earlier, three U.S. raids were met with stiff insurgent resistance. The military said all 49 Iraqis killed in the fighting were guerrillas, although civilians said many of those killed or injured were innocents, CNN reported.

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