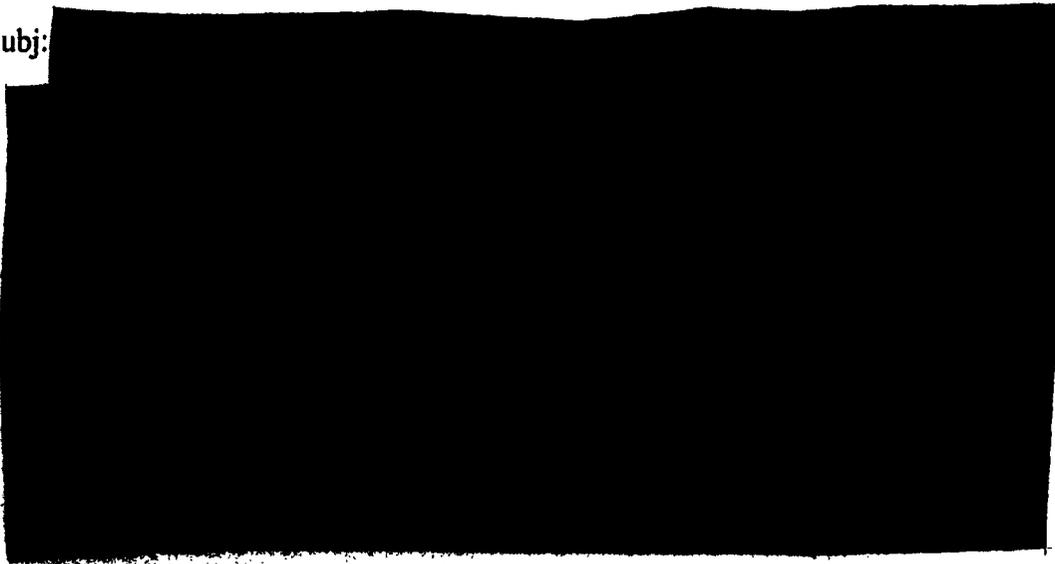


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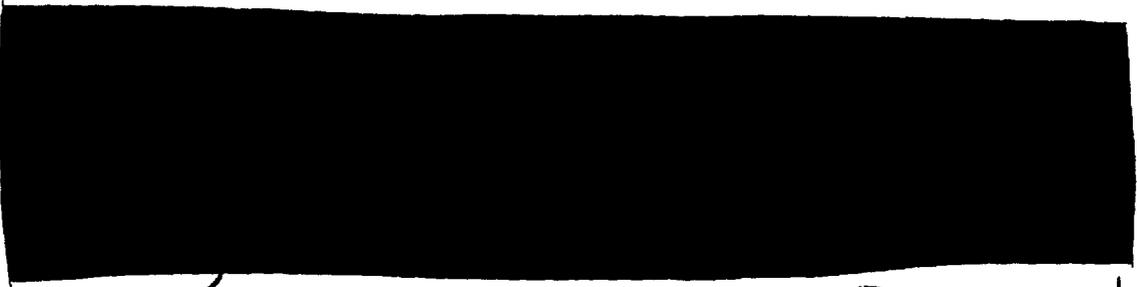


- At a press conference after the KNA's opening, Barzani said the KNA had a "common vision with the US to have a democratic, pluralistic and parliamentary Iraq." Talabani added, "When we added federalism they [the US] did not object."
- Barzani then said, "Our [federalist] issue will be solved with a united Iraq,"
- According to BBC, SecState Powell sent a message to the KNA saying, "I am proud you are among the U.S.' partners in the fight against tyranny and injustice and that you share our vision of Iraq's future."

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3. Assessment: ~~(S//NF)~~ Ankara has repeatedly said that creation of an independent state would be cause for war

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1. ~~(S//NF)~~ There are no indications that Ankara is currently preparing to take independent action in northern Iraq:

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2. ~~(S//NF)~~ On October 4th the Iraqi Kurds held an assembly meeting which could be seen as an important symbol thus far of growing Kurdish unity

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Turkey has undoubtedly been monitoring the outcome of the October 4 Kurdish meeting very closely and [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and will watch for potential statements about "independence," "constitution," "federation." Reportedly, PUK leader Talabani stated in a press conference that "when we added federalism they [the US] did not object." He also reiterated the Kurdish identity of the city of Kirkuk.

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