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**International Election Observers Urgently Needed for October 20th Kurdistan Parliament Elections**

The Kurdistan Region of Iraq is scheduled to hold its parliamentary elections on October 20, 2024. These elections will determine the composition of the Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) Parliament for the next term. The elections come at a time when the

region is grappling with internal political dynamics, economic challenges, and regional security issues.

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## **KRG Urges U.S. to Maintain Current Troop Presence, Finalize Air Defense Provision**

Recently, the United States and the Federal Government of Iraq issued a joint statement about the status of forces and coalition presence in the county. The joint security agreement outlines a phased transition, with a shift from a coalition-based mission against ISIS to a more traditional bilateral security partnership.

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## **Ankawa-Sterling Heights "Sister City" Agreement Deepens Ties Between KRG and the Chaldean Community**

As the Detroit Free Press recently reported, the city of Sterling Heights, Michigan announced a "Sister City" initiative with Ankawa, Kurdistan. This initiative will help to strengthen the cultural and economic ties between the KRG and the many ethnic Chaldeans who call Sterling Heights home.

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### **Other KRG News:**

- **KRG Representative [joins](#) Iraqi Delegation at the Global Coalition to Defeat ISIS Ministerial in DC.**
- **A delegation of KRG leaders [recently met](#) with world leaders at the United Nations General Assembly in New York to discuss developments across the region and advocate for Kurdish interests.**
- **The KRG's U.S. Representative Treefa Aziz sat down with MEA TV's Wally Adan for a far-reaching interview on the key issues facing the KRG. [Watch here.](#)**
- **A delegation of energy experts from the KRG Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) held high-level meetings with the [U.S. Department of Energy](#) and [members of Congress](#) to discuss U.S.-KRG partnership opportunities and the challenges we face to future growth.**

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