

# Iraqi PM Asks US to Begin Withdrawal Process in Iraq

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*The Iraqi Prime Minister, **Adel Abdul-Mahdi**, announced on Friday that he asked the United States to send delegates to Iraq to help kick start the withdrawal of American forces from his country.*

According to Alsumaria TV, Abdul-Mahdi asked the U.S. Secretary of State, **Mike Pompeo**, to send delegates to implement the Iraqi Parliament's decision to begin the withdrawal process.

Abdul-Mahdi indicated that there are still American forces and drones entering Iraq without the government's permission.

The media office of the Prime Minister said that Abdul-Mahdi received a phone call from the U.S. Secretary of State that dealt with recent developments and the desire of various parties to prevent escalation and go to open war.

Abdul-Mahdi stressed that Iraq rejected all operations that violate its sovereignty, including the recent operation that targeted 'Ayn al-Assad Airbase and the Irbil Governorate, noting that Iraq is making unremitting efforts to prevent the country from being used as a battlefield for the U.S. and Iran.

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