

## FOI 0963-18

17 January 2018      MEETING AT THE BRITISH EMBASSY, BAGHDAD

Participants (British Embassy): Jon Wilks (HMA), [REDACT]

Participants (BP): [REDACT]

No record or agenda

Relevant Emails:

**From:** [REDACT]  
**Sent:** 10 January 2018 11:04  
**To:** [REDACT]  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting request with the Ambassador

Yes, think I can make this [REDACT]. Thanks,

[REDACT]

**From:** [REDACT]  
**Sent:** 10 January 2018 10:10  
**To:** [REDACT]  
**Subject:** FW: Meeting request with the Ambassador

Hi [REDACT]

I have arranged for [REDACT] (BP) to see HMA on 17 Jan at 17:00 – do you wish to attend?

[REDACT]

**From:** [REDACT]  
**Sent:** 10 January 2018 10:07  
**To:** [REDACT]  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting request with the Ambassador

Dear [REDACT]

Thanks for your email. The Ambassador can do 17:00 until 17:30 on 17 January. Can you please confirm who will attend and send car details.

Kind regards

[REDACT]

**From:** [REDACT]  
**Sent:** 09 January 2018 16:46  
**To:** [REDACT]  
**Subject:** Meeting request with the Ambassador

Dear [REDACT],

I met with the Ambassador prior to Christmas, where I forgot to mention that I have [REDACT] coming to Baghdad next Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January. Would it be possible to find a 30mins slot with him, preferably between 1400 – 1500hrs or 1600 – 1800hrs?

I hope you are well and I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,  
[REDACT]

**24 January 2018**      **MEETING AT THE BRITISH EMBASSY, BAGHDAD**

Participants (British Embassy): Jon Wilks (HMA), [REDACT]

Participants (BP): [REDACT]

No record.

Agenda: see email below

**From:** [REDACT]  
**Sent:** 23 January 2018 17:21  
**To:** [REDACT]  
**Cc:** [REDACT], Jon Wilks  
**Subject:** BRIEF FOR BREAKFAST WITH BP: 24 JANUARY

Jon

You will host breakfast tomorrow morning for [REDACT]. [REDACT] and I will also be there.

The main focus of the meeting will be to:

- Ask him about developments in **Kirkuk** following last week's MOU signing.
- REDACT

The meeting will also be an opportunity to seek BP's views on **the Iraq Infrastructure Conference** and the **Chatham House Energy Conference** which the Oil Minister will be attending.

[REDACT]

[REDACT]

**26 March 2018**      **MEETING AT THE BRITISH EMBASSY, BAGHDAD**

Participants (British Embassy): Jon Wilks (HMA), [REDACT]

Participants (BP): [REDACT]

No record or agenda.

No emails

**9 April 2018**

**MEETING AT BP OPERATIONS BASE IN RUMAILA OILFIELD, BASRA**

Participants (British Embassy): Jon Wilks (HMA), [REDACT]

Participants (BP): [REDACT]

No agenda.

Records and emails below:

**From:** [REDACT]  
**Sent:** 07 April 2018 11:28  
**To:** Jon Wilks (Sensitive)  
**Cc:** [REDACT]  
**Subject:** Basra Visit Programme

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Jon,

You will be visiting Basra on 8-10<sup>th</sup> April. This is an opportunity to visit Basra for the first time: a key location for British trade interests,

You will be meeting with several British companies in Basra and touring the oil fields. This will be an opportunity for us to understand their key concerns and demonstrate HMG support for these companies [REDACT]

Thanks,

[REDACT]

**From:** [REDACT]  
**Sent:** 19 April 2018 10:05  
**To:** Jon Wilks; [REDACT]  
**Cc:** [REDACT]  
**Subject:** Readout: Basra Meetings

Jon,

You visited Basra last week. [REDACT] will be sending more detail on the trade elements of the visit separately.

Broadly on the **oil and gas companies** we visited it was impressive hearing about their social outreach and the work they are doing to employ and professionalise local Iraqis – including a focus on those who lived in close proximity to the oil fields. [REDACT] The work of British companies was clearly having an impact on Basrawis, particularly the gas capturing which was improving the air pollution and increasing electricity coverage. [REDACT]

[REDACT]

**From:** [REDACT]  
**Sent:** 23 April 2018 08:57  
**Cc:** [REDACT]  
**Subject:** Basra trip - DIT O&G meetings

Hi [REDACT],

Just for your information, the DIT oil and gas meetings.

[REDACT]

HMA Jon Wilks and DIT Iraq had an excellent meeting with BP at Rumaila (ROO). The meeting followed by an excellent tour into the degassing field.

[REDACT]

Best regards,

[REDACT]

**21 May 2018**                      **MEETING AT BP'S OFFICE IN BAGHDAD**

Participants (British Embassy): [REDACT]

Participants (BP): [REDACT]

No agenda.

Record of meeting as follows:

**From:** [REDACT]

**Sent:** 24 May 2018 14:43

**To:** [REDACT]

**Subject:** Meeting with BP in Baghdad - 21.05.2018

Ambassador,

[REDACT], and I met with [REDACT] at his Baghdad office on Monday 21/05/2018.

Here are the key points of the meeting:

- We asked for his views on the reestablishment of **Iraqi National Oil Company (INOC)** which was set up in 1966 but it was merged with the Ministry of Oil (MoO) during Saddam's regime in 1987. [REDACT]
- **Kirkuk** – [REDACT]

Technically the Kirkuk Oil field (which was discovered in 1927) consists of six fields, five of them are under the control of MoO/Iraqi Federal Government (GOI). One field, the Khurmala oil field, was under the control of GOI until 2008 when the KRG forces took control of it. [REDACT]

- **Exporting oil from Kirkuk.** Recently the MoO tendered a project for the building of a new pipeline to Turkey as an alternative to the Kirkuk-Ceyhan pipeline. [REDACT]
- [REDACT]

Best regards,

[REDACT]