

IRAQ:FAREWELL TO ARMS

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2002 : Will the UN send a new mission of inspectors to Iraq, to search for and destroy any nuclear, biological and chemical weapons which they suspect might be produced by Saddam Hussein's regime ?



At the end of the Gulf War, from 1991 to 1998, the UN had already established a similar mission in Iraq. The operation had turned into a permanent battle between the inspectors - wanting to enter each site, at any moment and without restriction - and the Iraqi autorities intent on hiding information on the full extent of their arsenal. During these seven years, the inspectors discovered the world's biggest canon, a fearsome stock of biological and chemical weapons and a technically advanced nuclear programme. What has happened since the departure of the inspectors at the end of 1998 ?



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