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Serving Task Force Marne

Global execs meet with Iraqi counterparts

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ISKANDARIYAH — Executives from top international heavy-equipment companies met with executives of two Iraqi heavy-equipment manufacturers here Monday regarding future business relationships.

Representatives from DaimlerChrysler, Mercedes, Mantrac, Cummins,

Agility, KBR, and ECC International attended the meeting organized by the Task Force for Business and Stabilization Operations, a Department of Defense organization. U.S. Army personnel from Multi-National Division-Center also attended.

Representatives from the two Iraqi companies, State Company for Automotive Industries and State Company for Mechanical Industries, showed the

capacities and abilities of their respective companies to the executives from the international companies. The directorate general, or CEO, of SCAI is Sabah Khafaji, and his nephew, Ra'ad Khafaji, is SCMI's directorate general.

SCAI is currently building 115 buses for a Kuwaiti company, said Navy Capt. Donald McMahon, commander of 3rd

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Pulling together



Air Force Master Sgt. Brian L. Boone

Maj. Christopher Budihas, assigned to 1st Battalion, 64th Armor Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division and Iraqi Soldiers offload barrier equipment at an Iraqi checkpoint in Jamia July 29.

Siblings re-enlist together at Kalsu

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FOB KALSU — A brother-sister team of staff sergeants rededicated their commitment to the Army by sharing their oaths of re-enlistment here July 29.

Staff Sgt. Darcy Snyder, a signal intelligence analyst with Company A, 2-3 Brigade Troop Battalion, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, re-enlisted for four years. Her brother, Staff Sgt. Matthew Snyder, a combat engineer with 38th Engineer Company, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division, signed on for six more years.

In 1999, the siblings, natives of Allenwood, Pa., joined the Army two weeks apart.

"The recruiter came to talk with him first, then he came to me," Darcy said.

While they may not have joined at the same time, Darcy said she saw an opportunity for them to re-enlist together.

"She called me and said she was ready to re-enlist and was wondering if I was going to as well," Matthew said.

After reviewing his options and waiting a few weeks for his re-enlistment window to open, Matthew decided to jump on board.

The siblings said it was not difficult to convince either of their chains of command to agree to a joint re-enlist-



Sgt. Kevin Stabinsky

Staff Sgt. Matthew Snyder and his older sister, Staff Sgt. Darcy Snyder, stand with Capt. Adam Harless (far left) and Col. Terry Ferrell, 2nd BCT commander (far right), after their joint re-enlistment ceremony July 29.

ment ceremony.

"Re-enlistments are always special, but to do it with someone close is really important," said Capt. Jeff Prokopowicz, Co. A commander. "How often do you get to see a close sibling in Iraq? It is a special moment to treasure for all it is worth."

Prokopowicz and Matthew's commander, Capt. Adam Harless, worked hard to coordinate the event.

"It is a real compliment to my chain of command," Harless said, praising his superiors, who allowed the special event despite the operational tempo of his company, which conducts route

clearance.

"This was largely due to the proactive nature of Darcy," Prokopowicz said. "She was motivated to get this going, I just accommodated."

Much of the motivation came from each sibling's desire to see the other. This was the first time the siblings met while deployed in Iraq, Matthew said.

Seeing each other did a lot to boost the siblings' morale, they agreed.

"I worry about him, and seeing him helped," Darcy said.

While the reunion only lasted a day, it was a memory the two will share for a lifetime.

Today in Marne history ...

3rd Division is redesignated as Headquarters, 3rd Infantry Division

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EXECS: Global, Iraqi heavy-equipment companies confer

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Infantry Division civil affairs and the 3rd Civil Affairs Battalion.

"Task Force Marne is committed to economic development in the battle space," McMahon said. "We will aggressively pursue opportunities to bring global private business executives together with Iraqi counterparts."

Both Mantrac and Cummins were interested in SCAI and SCMI's generator rebuilding ability.

DaimlerChrysler and Mercedes were interested in the possible assembly of automotive subsystems and chassis at SCAI, said Mercedes Fitchett of the DOD.

"Hope is giving us the push to go," said Ra'ad Khafaji, regarding his belief in the company's potential despite its current lack of business.

Both companies have ample employ-



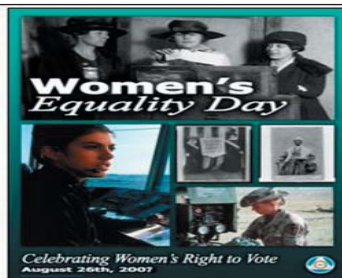
Courtesy photo

An Iraqi worker at the Iskanariyah plant prepares metal for use.

ees but not enough work for them, said Chief Petty Officer Bradford Macdonald, 3rd Civil Affairs Battalion.

"Iraq is entrepreneurial by nature,"

McMahon said. "All we want to do is set conditions for the respective parties to talk and develop mutual business plans."



Attention!

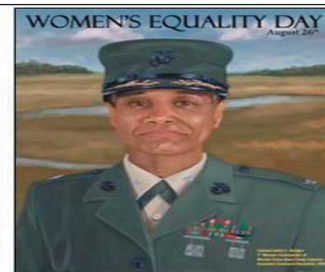
WHO: MND-C Equal Opportunity Office

WHAT: *Women's Equality Day*

WHEN: Aug. 26, 3-4 p.m.

WHERE: Marne Dining Facility, VIP Room

WHY: To solicit support for the upcoming Ethnic Observances. The MNDC Equal Opportunity Office is looking for talent and volunteers to participate in this observance.



Next IPR: Aug. 4, 1 p.m. at the EO Trailer (51M Trailer #2)

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Safety Thought of the Day

Friendly-Fire Fratricide Prevention

Causes of Fratricide

- Ineffective reporting and communications
- Not ensuring positive target identification
 - Not following Rules of Engagement
- Inadequate risk management control measures
 - Becoming lost or disoriented
- Horse play, weapons errors, or negligent discharges

Headline Highlights

Chopped-up body; de-licensed racer; cell lights

Arrest made in connection with body parts in fridge

KUALA LUMPUR (Reuters) — Malaysian police have arrested a woman in connection with the murder of a man whose body was chopped into 11 pieces and stuffed into a refrigerator in a posh apartment in the capital.

The remains were discovered in black bin bags when a man who bought the apartment at a bank auction went to clean the unit, which had been vacant for more than three months, the Star newspaper said on Tuesday.

A strong stench led the owner and security guard to the refrigerator, which had been sealed with masking tape.

Newspapers in neighboring Singapore said the victim was believed to be a Singaporean who had been married to the woman and who had been out of touch with his family for nearly two years.

The Straits Times carried a photograph of the woman, described as an air stewardess from Sarawak, being led away by police, a scarf hiding her handcuffed hands.

It quoted unnamed sources as saying police were hunting for the woman's lover.

Police said they had probably solved the case with the arrest of the woman,

The Star newspaper said.

Former racer loses license

SAO PAULO (Reuters) — Three-time Formula One champion Nelson Piquet began taking a driving education course on Monday in Brazil after having his license revoked for racking up too many traffic violations, local media reported.

Piquet, one of just three Brazilians to win the Formula One world championship, lost his license in June after receiving a slew of speeding and parking tickets.

His wife, Viviane, also had her license taken away for bad driving and joined her husband in the mandatory driver awareness course.

"I think we have to pay for our mistakes," Piquet, 54, told local news agency G1. "It's not even just a speeding problem. I got tickets for all kinds of reasons, for things like parking where I shouldn't."

Piquet and his wife, whose 21-year-old son is an up-and-coming test car driver for the Renault Formula One team, will have to attend 30 hours of classes over eight days and pass an exam before regaining their licenses.

Piquet is one of the best-known race car drivers to come out of Brazil, having

won the Formula One championship in 1981, 1983 and 1987.

Cell phones light up OR

BUENOS AIRES (Reuters) — The light from the cell phone screens allowed surgeons to complete an emergency appendix operation during a blackout in a city in central Argentina, reports said on Saturday.

Leonardo Molina, 29, was on the operating table on July 21, when the power went out in the Policlinico Juan D. Peron, the main hospital in Villa Mercedes, a small city in San Luis province.

"The generator, which should have been working correctly, didn't work," a hospital spokesman, whose name was not given, told TN television news station.

"The surgeons and anesthetists were in the dark ... A family member got some cell phones together from people in the hallway and took them in to provide light," he said.

Ricardo Molina, 39, Leonardo's brother, told La Nacion newspaper that the lights were out for an hour and his brother's anesthesia was wearing off.

Hospital Director Dario Maurer told La Nacion the surgery was without light a maximum of 20 minutes.

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from Sudoku: The Original Brain Workout From Japan

Solution to yesterday's puzzle:

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5	3	1	9	4	6	2	8	7
9	8	4	3	2	7	5	1	6
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ARABIC PHRASE OF THE DAY

What is your native language? *shih-noo hih-yeh loo-GHatek?*