

Section VI: Infrastructure/Reconstruction Highlights

(U) Summary

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(U) Health

(U) Met with Dr. Ali Hussein Al-Tamimi, Director of Health.

(U) Presented medical books donated by the UCLA Alumni Association's Books Without Borders Program to the Diyala Medical School Library.



Books without Borders (BWB) is a project conceived and coordinated by the UCLA Medical Alumni Association after receiving an [email](#) from Laura Pacha, M.D. '98, a preventative medicine officer for the U.S. Army, regarding the lack of current medical materials for Iraqi physicians and medical students. The success of the project is due to the collaborative effort with the United States Army, the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, the Health Sciences Store, UCLA ARMY ROTC, and the Los Angeles City Fire Department. The donated medical materials are shipped to U.S. military base physicians, who hand deliver them to local medical facilities as part of their transition and training responsibilities.



The 1/25th Infantry Brigade Surgeon, a Brigade Medic and members of the Diyala Provincial Reconstruction Team present donated medical books to two representatives of the Diyala Medical School on Diyala University Day 2009.

(U) In coordination with Dr. Ali Hussein Al-Tamimi, Director of Health; the Diyala Provincial Reconstruction Team; and the 1/25th Infantry Brigade Surgeon, two physicians representing the 358 Civil Affairs Brigade presented a course titled, “Maternity and Child Care,” to 30 nurses at the Al Batool Women and Children’s Hospital, Baqubah.

