

# Camp Cedar II Project



**Period:** 4th quarter 2003  
**Location:** An Nasiriyah, Southern Iraq  
**Scope:** Turn-key delivery of a 500 men camp. Management of camp

## Outline of ICS Group Services

- n Ground preparation/civil works
- n Establishment of camp infrastructure, i.e. all cabling, sewage handling, water distribution, electricity system, etc.
- n Supply and erection/installation of 400 containers including kitchen facility, laundry facility, recreation facility, accommodation/living units, toilet and shower units, office units, medical facility, dining facility
- n Camp management including food supplies, cooking, service management, staffing, ready-to-move-into

## Camp function

The purpose of the camp is to offer overnight accommodation mainly for civilian truck drivers coming from or going to the southern boarder. Furthermore the camp facilitates service and maintenance for trucks and other machinery.

## Rapid response

Less than one week after having received the inquiry ICS Group



handed over a proposal for KBR covering the full scope. In addition to the supply of all containerized facilities also the risky transportation of the goods from the Turkish boarder in northern Iraq to the destination in southern Iraq was comprised. Furthermore the proposal included erection and installation of the buildings in this quite remote area.

Within a month from first contact the contract was signed, and already 2 weeks later the first fully loaded trucks left ICS Group facilities in Mersin in Turkey. At the same time ICS Group accepted also to carry out site preparation and construction works which were not in the initial contract. This job ICS Group started shortly after having allocated all neces-



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sary manpower, machinery and materials.

## Troubled transports

All transports entered Iraq from the border to Turkey in the Northern and Kurdish part of Iraq. Joining convoys protected by the coalition forces they moved slowly the almost 500 miles, often in queues up to 25 miles, sometimes driving a whole week before reaching the destination. Already during the first transport a truck load of 8 containers disappeared despite the protection. Afterwards however most transportation went well.

## Civil works and erection

Arriving at the site the ICS Group crew of 25 men faced their first challenge as it had been decided to erect the camp a bit away from the initially intended spot. However, the civil works were started under supervision of ICS Group who also supplied all materials whereas KBR provided the heavy equipment necessary.

At the same time erection to the container buildings and all installations were carried out by the ICS Group crews. For instance 6 miles of cables were laid for the power distribution net. The works were partly carried out in the rain season causing some extra challenges.

## The Completed camp

After a building period of approximately 3 months the ready-to-move-in camp was completed, comprising several containerized buildings with secondary roofs and for all sorts of purposes. n

