

The following submission was made via the Iraq Inquiry website:

In the year before the invasion I was the OC of a storage depot in Germany that stored special armour for Warrior vehicles. I was also the escort officer for the Turkish Military delegation attending the Army/Navy defence exhibition at the xcell centre in the year immediately before the invasion of Iraq. I deduced, in the summer of the year before the invasion was to take place, that planning was quite far ahead (for an invasion though Turkey). On the basis of the deductions I made, I gave orders for the Warrior special armour to be brought to a serviceable condition with all haste, estimating the invasion would take place in Nov (based on logistics lead delay times). I am clear that this 'evidence' is based solely on supposition and perhaps false deduction on my part, but two points arise. 1. If I, as the OC of a small logistics depot in Germany could make these deductions, surely others could have/should have too. 2. If my depot staff had not prepared the armour, which was in a pretty shoddy state, then by the time we were asked to make ready by the IPT it would have been far too late to react.

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