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George W. Bush: President of the United States Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces • 2001-2009 Richard Cheney: Vice-President of the United States • 2001-2009 Donald Rumsfeld: Secretary of Defense Appointed by George W. Bush Confirmed by United States Senate • Early 2001 • Resigned November 2006 Stephen Cambone: Under-Secretary of Defense for Intelligence Appointed by George W. Bush Confirmed the United States Senate • March 2003 • Resigned December 2006 Gordan England: Deputy of Secretary of Defense • May 2005 – Feb 2009 David Addington: Chief of Staff of the Vice President of the **United States** • 2005-2009

- Father a retired Brigadier General graduate of West Point
- <u>U.S. News & World Report</u> as "the most powerful man you've never heard of" in May 2006
- Addington was very influential in many different areas of policy. He provided advice and drafted memoranda on many of the most controversial policies of the <u>Bush</u> administration

<u>Alberto Gonzalez</u>: U.S. Attorney General Appointed by George W. Bush

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Confirmed by Senate

- February 2005
- September 2007

Samuel Alito: Associate Justice of United States Supreme Court

• Jan 2006

Michael Chertoff: Secretary of Homeland Security

• Feb 2005 to Jan 2009

Chris Christie: U.S. Attorney for the District of New Jersey

- Jan 2002 December 2008
- Nominated by George W. Bush

<u>Ralph Marra</u>: First assistant to the US Attorney for the District of New Jersey

• 2002- December 2008

Paul Fishman: in private practice

<u>General John Abizaid</u>: Commander of US Central Command (CENTCOM)- 2003- 2007

- <u>Bob Woodward</u> of the <u>Washington Post</u> wrote that on 16 March 2006 Abizaid was in Washington to testify before the <u>Senate Armed Services Committee</u>. He painted a careful but upbeat picture of the situation in Iraq."
- On 3 August 2006 Abizaid, in testimony before the <u>Senate Armed Services Committee</u>, seemed to have become more pessimistic about the situation on the ground in Iraq. He said: "I believe that the sectarian violence is probably as bad as I've seen it, in Baghdad in particular, and that if not stopped, it is possible that Iraq could move towards civil war." This was widely regarded as a significant change in his previous estimation of the threat of civil war in Iraq. However,

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he also testified "I'm optimistic that that slide [toward civil war] can be prevented".^[7]

Lt General Ricardo Sanchez: Commander of V-Corp (Germany)

- 1st Infantry Division under his command
- Paul interviewed Sanchez involving Abu Ghraib, 2004

General George Casey: Commander of Multinational Force Iraq

- Senior coalition commander
- Replaced Ricardo Sanchez
- 2004-2007
- Casey's goal was to encourage the Iraqis to take ownership of their problems and responsibility for their own security. For his part as a military commander, he focused on training Iraqi forces, limiting the role of American forces, and transferring the burden for providing security to Iraqi forces. Meanwhile, <u>U.S.</u> <u>diplomats</u> would focus on building and strengthening the Iraqi government and help the Iraqis hold elections. He expressed his view that a large and intrusive American presence in Iraq would not solve the political and security problems in that country and could even fuel the insurgency.