



Media Centre

Baghdad

AKE has been operating in Iraq since 2003, and with its regional knowledge and operations in support of media organisations has designed a bespoke Media Centre in Baghdad. AKE's client-focused approach guarantees the media are provided with the best possible working platform to allow newsgathering in a hostile region. AKE is fully licensed and registered with the Ministry of Interior and Ministry of Trade.

The AKE Media Centre is located in the Salyhya District of Baghdad, offering a safe location for clients to operate from. It provides geographical advantages of proximity to the local parliament and ministries, Coalition emergency services and the international airport. The Media Centre is secured and operated by AKE Security Risk Specialists (SRS) and a licensed local National Guard Force trained by AKE.



AKE's Media Centre offers 26 well-appointed guest rooms with all-inclusive services as follows:

- Consultation from AKE SRS staff to discuss the current situation and assist in the planning of daily events.
- Private work stations where clients can conduct their daily bureau business.
- A planning room with up-to-date satellite imagery and schematics.
- An operational subscription to the weekly AKE Iraq Security Briefing.
- The house is fully supported for both emergency evacuation and repatriation, which can be implemented at short notice, fully supported by AKE's 24/7 Crisis Response Centre (CRC) based in Hereford, UK.
- Food is provided by a dedicated chef who caters for local and international tastes. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are provided.
- Six days a week in-house laundry with a maximum 24hr turn around.
- Six days a week room cleaning service
- Wireless internet in every room
- Gym facilities
- Satellite television
- Fully equipped safe room with integral life support system, linked to Hereford CRC in the event of an emergency.

Additional Services:

- Visa facilitation through Amman, Jordan
- Airport meet and greet, which includes transfer service supported by an AKE-registered Security Team.
- Central bureau space that can be dedicated to clients and furnished as required.
- Satellite uplink and shared editorial suite
- Hire of armoured vehicles and local soft skin vehicles
- Trained and registered local SRS who can support teams on the ground country-wide.
- Access to security-vetted translators, fixers and drivers
- Access to an AKE consultant SRS at full-time or adhoc rates to support country-wide tasks.
- Access to technical tracking systems monitored by AKE Baghdad and 24/7 coverage from the Hereford CRC. Tracking systems can be utilised for asset or personnel tracking.
- Emergency medical life support, with evacuation to the nearest Coalition medical facilities. Access to Western clinics in the International Zone and Camp Victory (BIAP).
- Insurance packages to suit individual clients (provided through AKE Specialist Risks Insurance, Lloyds of London).
- Training for expatriate and local nationals on a variety of medical and security-related topics.

Please contact AKE for a list of service costs and to discuss support within Iraq.

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