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The Baghdad Underground Railroad was a clandestine network of safe houses and smuggling routes used to rescue American allies from Iraq during the Iraq War. The network was operated by a group of Iraqi citizens and American diplomats who risked their lives to help those who had helped the United States.

The network was established in 2003, shortly after the start of the war. At the time, the United States was working with a number of Iraqi groups who were opposed to Saddam Hussein's regime. These groups included the Iraqi National Congress, the Iraqi National Accord, and the Kurdistan Democratic Party.

As the war progressed, the Iraqi government began to crack down on these groups. Many of their members were arrested, tortured, or killed. The Baghdad Underground Railroad provided a way for these groups to escape from Iraq and continue their work.

The network was operated by a group of Iraqi citizens and American diplomats. The Iraqis were responsible for finding safe houses and smuggling routes. The Americans provided financial support and logistical assistance.

The Baghdad Underground Railroad was a dangerous operation. The Iraqis who worked for the network were constantly at risk of being arrested or killed. The Americans who worked for the network were also at risk, as they were often targeted by Iraqi insurgents.

Despite the risks, the Baghdad Underground Railroad was a success. Over the course of the war, the network helped to rescue over 1,000 American allies from Iraq. These allies included Iraqi dissidents, journalists, and human rights workers.

The Baghdad Underground Railroad is a testament to the courage and compassion of the Iraqi people. It is also a reminder of the importance of America's commitment to its allies.

How the Baghdad Underground Railroad Worked

The Baghdad Underground Railroad was a complex network of safe houses and smuggling routes. The network was operated by a group of Iraqi citizens and American diplomats who worked together to rescue American allies from Iraq.

The first step in the process was to identify potential candidates for rescue. These candidates were typically Iraqi citizens who had worked with the United States or who were at risk of being targeted by the Iraqi government.

Once a candidate had been identified, they would be contacted by a member of the Baghdad Underground Railroad. The Railroad member would provide the candidate with instructions on how to reach a safe house.

The safe house was typically a private home or apartment that was located in a safe neighborhood. The candidate would stay at the safe house until they could be smuggled out of Iraq.

The smuggling routes were typically overland routes that led to neighboring countries such as Jordan, Syria, or Turkey. The candidates would be smuggled out of Iraq in vehicles or on foot.

Once the candidates had reached a safe country, they would be met by representatives from the United States government. The representatives would provide the candidates with assistance in finding housing, medical care, and other services.

The Risks of the Baghdad Underground Railroad

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The Legacy of the Baghdad Underground Railroad

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The network's legacy continues today. Many of the Iraqis who worked for the Baghdad Underground Railroad have gone on to



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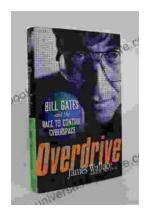
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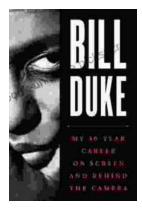


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