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# Israel is real beneficiary of Iraq oil

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**The Zionist regime is profiting from Iraq's oil which is being exploited by US occupiers, an official from Iraqi oil ministry has said.**



Following the US and UK invasion of Iraq 57 months ago, the Zionist regime has been the real beneficiary and acquires 40 percent of its required oil from Iraq, he said on condition of anonymity.

The Iraqi official stressed that the crude oil from al-Romayla oilfield in southern Iraq, which is under US forces' control, is transferred through pipelines to Kuwaiti oil terminals and then redirected to Israel.

Since the beginning of 2007, about 32 oil tankers, mostly Dutch, have carried oil from al-Omayya in northwest of the Persian Gulf to the Zionist regime, he noted.

The amount of oil volume which is exported from Iraq is above the announced figure of 2.5 million barrels a day, the official told the Fars News Agency.

There are 16 officials and tens of oil experts from Israel who hold US passports and are active in oil deals in Iraq, he concluded.

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