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I think what we've learned is that the terrorist threat is serious, but it shifts. You cannot make a single person the sole focus of your counterterrorism.

~Paul Bremer

Saddam spent 35 years stealing and wasting money, and all of these systems are very fragile and brittle, and you try to fix one thing and something else gets in trouble.

~Paul Bremer

We've thrown out Saddam and Saddam, dead or alive, is finished in Iraq.

~Paul Bremer

There are 40,000 Iraqi police on duty around the country. If they detect an attack about to happen, the police are the ones who are supposed to stop it.

~Paul Bremer

I think we Americans, of all people, understand the importance of a good, legal, constitutional framework as the basis of political life.

~Paul Bremer

I think the Iraqi people have shown extraordinary patience and courage in the last few months. They have really put a political system on the way to success, to a real democracy here.

~Paul Bremer

You know, the country is basically peaceful.

~Paul Bremer

I think there really is no shortcut to sovereignty.

~Paul Bremer

The loss of innocent life is a tragedy for anyone involved in it, but the numbers are really very low.

~Paul Bremer

Iraq is a better place, absolutely worth it.

~Paul Bremer

[Insurgents] pose no strategic threat to the United States or to the Coalition Forces.

~Paul Bremer

If you look back today over the last 25 years, it is a fact that we have had a progressive degeneration of our intelligence community in general; in particular in the field of human intelligence.

~Paul Bremer

These people hate the United States, not for what we do, but for who we are and what we are.

~Paul Bremer

We dominate the scene and we will continue to impose our will on this country.

~Paul Bremer

As long as we're here, we are the occupying power. It's a very ugly word, but it's true.

~Paul Bremer

We're going to be on the ground in Iraq as soldiers and citizens for years. We're going to be running a colony almost.

~Paul Bremer

We try very quickly to show that we are not at war with the Iraqi people. We're trying to deal with the people who are indeed themselves at war

Paul Bremer Quotes with the Iraqi people. ~Paul Bremer

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