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Michael Newdow's latest effort to remove the phrase that had been added in 1954 fails in a split decision by the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. Read the majority decision, the much longer dissenting opinion, and related information on this case.

### **2. US-Iraq: [Coalition Force\(s\) in Iraq](#)**

In July 2009, the five remaining non-US coalition forces, Australia, El Salvador, Estonia, Romania, and the UK, left Iraq leaving the United States as the only coalition member. On Jan. 1, 2010, the Multi-National Force-Iraq changed its name to the US Forces-Iraq. See our chart showing the changing coalition membership from 2003 through 2010.

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