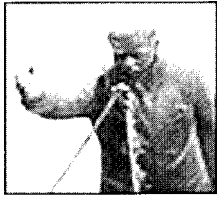


THE "BIG PICTURE" OF A PROPAGANDA ICON

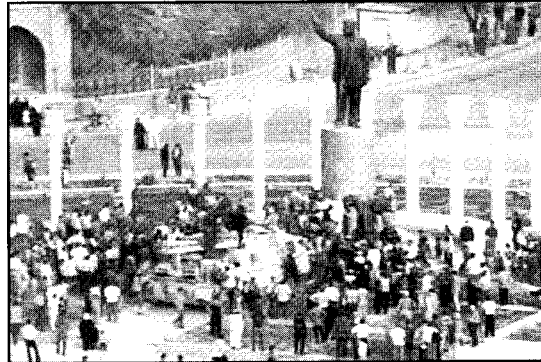
Photos from just before the celebrated statue fall...



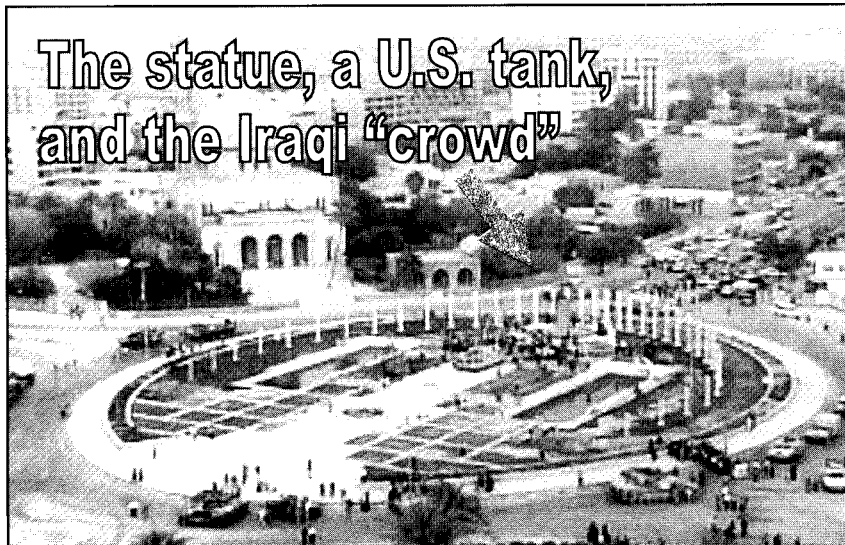
The beloved image now adorning most U.S. media's title graphics of Iraq news stories

The "unfortunate incident" image

The primary "wide shot" shown on TV of the crowd of "ordinary Iraqis" gathering to topple the hated statue



And the image not seen...



A wide shot of the square, which was not widely seen in the U.S., minutes before Operation Staged Statue Toppling; the square, surrounded and controlled by U.S. tanks and troops, is mostly empty and contains approximately 150 Iraqis, some of whom are later identified as members of the (less than popular) Chalabi militia imported to Iraq by U.S. Forces a few days prior to the celebrated event

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"Watching them (topple the statue), one cannot help but think of the fall of the Berlin Wall... "
Donald Rumsfeld