

Lieutenant General / Aviator Anwar Hamad Amen Ahmed Iraqi Army JHQ Inspector General



A native of Kirkuk, Iraq. Lieutenant General Anwar graduated from military Academy in January 1978 and was commissioned a second lieutenant. In Kut, Iraq he was assigned to the mechanized Infantry 24th Brigade, Armed 10th Division. Soon after he was assigned to pilot training and received his wings in September 1980. From here he was sent to the 4th Squadron of the Iraqi Air Force where he flew helicopters in all the major battles in the Iran – Iraq war.

He was promoted to 1st Lieutenant in 1981 , and Captain in 1983 . In 1985 he became a flight instructor at the Army Air Training Base in Suwaira, located south of Baghdad. He was promoted to Major and became the Commanding officer of the 4th Iraqi Army Air Squadron. He graduated from the Iraqi Staff College in 1992. From there he was assigned the Planning Staff Officer for the Iraqi Army Air Command. Selected for Lieutenant Colonel in 1992, he became Commanding Officer of Iraq Air Wing; He was promoted to Brigadier General in 1996 and attended Iraqi War College graduating in 1999. His first Flag assignment was the Manager of Aviation Safety for the Iraqi Air Force till 2000, from here he went on to be the Commander of the Army Air Training Command and was promoted to Major General. His next Flag position was as the Commanding General of the 4th Army Air Command – Baiji till 2003.

After the collapse of the former military regime - he received a call from the coalition forces asking for his help on how to form MSU (Military Security Units) throughout Kirkuk, Sulaimaniya and Tikrit in Northern Iraq. From his vast military knowledge with this task he was able to help in the creation of (MAC) Military Affairs Councils. The MAC became the 1st Battalion of Iraqi Civil Defense Corps. He was selected to become the Commanding Officer of the 80th Brigade which was assigned by coalition forces. He helped in the formation of the 33th Brigade of the Iraqi Civil Defense Corps Battalion located in Sulaimaniya, and 6 other Battalions in the 31st Brigade . In addition he helped with formation of the 5th Brigade \4th Division, and helped the Coalition when they formed the K 1 Training Center.

He attended the KASD Academy in Rome, Italy studying the - Senior Officers Strategical Studies Course in 2005. He was then assigned to become the Iraqi Military Inspector General on Oct 17th 2007, and was promoted to Lieutenant General in January 2008.

He has 4500 flying hours – most of them tactical. He flew a number of different fixed wing and helicopter Aircraft - made by manufactures in America, Russia, England and France. Lieutenant General Anwar has received various Personal Military Decorations, six for Bravery, two for High Deserving and two for Service.