

## APPENDIX F

### ENDNOTES

1. Edgar O'Ballance, *The Gulf War*, London: Brassey's Defense Publishers, 1988. O'Ballance cites this figure for the period September through December 1980, and notes it is "very high" considering, he says, the number of engagements fought.

2. Anthony Cordesman, *The Lessons of Modern War: The Iran-Iraq War*, Boulder: Westview Press, 1990, p. 177.

3. Cited in Cordesman, p. 2, footnote 1.

4. *Ibid.*, p. 3, Table 1.1.

5. In 1983, when hard-pressed by Iran's attritive raids in the Kurdish area, the Ba'thists persuaded one of the two leading Kurdish guerrilla chiefs—Jalal Talabani—to come over to the Iraqi side and help repel the Iranians. To sweeten the deal, Saddam pledged to Talabani that Kurds would be formally exempted from the draft. He fulfilled his pledge. Those Kurds who did fight were, in effect, mercenaries who fought on condition they would not have to serve outside the Kurdish area.