

Powell demands change in Iraq

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WASHINGTON (KRT) — Secretary of State Colin Powell rejected Saddam Hussein's claim that Iraq is not developing weapons of mass destruction and challenged the Iraqi leader Sunday to prove it by admitting United Nations inspectors.

"Let the inspectors in. Let them look everywhere with no constraints, no funny business, no conditions," Powell said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Powell and other senior officials said President Bush is considering various methods to achieve "regime change" in Baghdad, but has not yet decided upon military attack. "You can be sure that we are examining all possible options," Powell said.

Powell's comments came one day after Saddam told the Iraqi News Agency that his country is not interested in acquiring weapons of mass destruction and that Iraq's technological pursuits are being misrepresented by its critics.

"We want to acquire more science to serve ordinary people and humanity at large," Saddam was quoted as saying.

But Powell made it clear that the Bush administration wants Sad-

dam ousted from power, preferably in favor of a democratic regime that includes representatives from all sectors of Iraqi society.

In addition to weapons inspections, Powell said the White House would push for stronger economic sanctions against Iraq, which — with Iran and North Korea — has been labeled by Bush as part of an "axis of evil" in the war against terrorism. The secretary of state acknowledged that U.S. allies in Europe are unsettled by Bush's aggressive rhetoric.

Powell also called on North Korean President Kim Jong-il to solidify his political legacy by reconciling with South Korea and accepting a U.S. invitation to negotiate a more stable peace on the Korean peninsula.

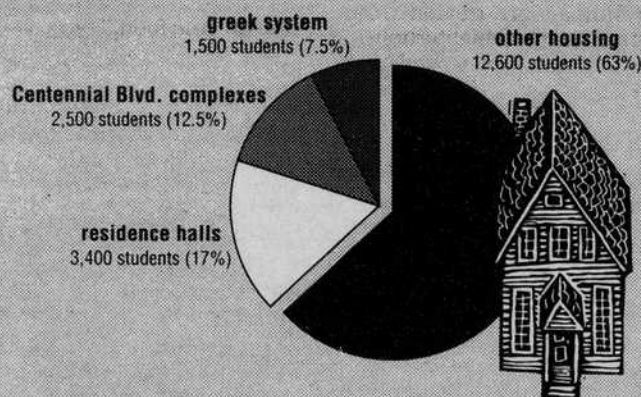
"Lead your people to a better future and away from the past that has brought you nothing but condemnation. ... There is an opportunity right now, Mr. President. You should seize it," Powell said.

He was speaking from Tokyo, where he is accompanying Bush on a six-day Asian tour that will take them to South Korea on Tuesday.

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Shelter shortages

The University has projected enrollment to be 20,000 students in 2002-03, which could make it difficult for many to find a place to call home



Source: Gregg Lobisser, EMU student activities director; Jean Robbins, operations manager at Duck's Village; and Mike Eyster, University Housing director

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going to have to settle with what they can. If their basement floods and their landlord doesn't do anything about it, they're going to have to settle for that."

University residence halls can house roughly 3,400 students, the greek system takes care of 1,000 to 1,500 more, and large apartment complexes such as University Commons Apartments and Duck's Village has room for about 2,500 students. That leaves the remaining 63 percent of students to find an apartment or a house to rent off-campus — or live with mom and dad.

"We're obviously going to end up with more people applying than we have space to provide," Robbins said of her properties.

University residence halls are also expecting high numbers of students to fill the 3,400 available spots, director of University Housing Mike Eyster said. But Eyster added the University is seeking to house only 3,125 students in these rooms, because double occupancy rooms get crowded when there's only 147 square feet to share between two students.

Eyster previously proposed building a new residence hall to add space and provide a roof for al-

most 400 students where the current outdoor tennis courts are located north of 15th Avenue, but the project is still in the planning stage.

If students want more space, they can opt for apartments like the ones offered by University Commons, which have individual rooms and 820 square feet in which to spread out.

Renting a house is another option, and students can even decide to put down roots and buy their own place. The city of Eugene offers interest-free deferred loans of up to \$4,000 for first time home buyers, and is happy to consider students for the program, said city of Eugene property-rehabilitation specialist Mark Tritt.

Wherever students decide to live, they'll have the best luck if they start early.

"The earlier you apply, the better chance you have of getting a room," Robbins said. She added that students in Eugene haven't experienced a tight housing market before.

"Some students literally pull up to our apartments the first week of school with a vanload of stuff. People aren't used to finding a house or apartment in advance," Robbins said.

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