



New Scrutiny for Iraq Contractors

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WASHINGTON —A Blackwater USA contractor's killing of an Iraqi security guard is putting new pressure

The Christmas Eve shooting is one of the few known cases of an American contractor killing an employee

The incident began when an off-duty Blackwater employee who had been drinking heavily tried to make

The investigation is a setback for Blackwater, one of the best known -- and most profitable -- of the army

Only two contractors out of the tens of thousands who have been deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan over