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Beyond bailouts: reforms ahead

By **MARK TRUMBULL**
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The push to remake the financial industry's rules of the road in hopes of softening future boom-and-bust cycles gathered momentum this week with Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner urging Congress Thursday to create new systems to monitor and control risks.

So far, Washington has acted mainly to contain the immediate damage to the

THE TREASURY SECRETARY is proposing new regulation for the financial industry.

economy. But any deeper fixes could also yield results quickly.

By signaling a receptivity to increased regulation – a key European demand – the announcement might strengthen President Obama's ability to nudge

Germany and other nations on a US priority at next week's meeting of the Group of 20 leaders: expanding government spending as an economic stimulus. Federal agencies would also have new authority to intervene at large, troubled financial institutions like AIG if parts of Mr. Geithner's plan are enacted into law.

Longer term, clarifying potential reforms could lift economic confidence. *See REFORM page 12*

U.S. FORCES MAY NOT LEAVE KEY IRAQI CITIES

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BAGHDAD – The US withdrawal from Iraq is under way. Some troops are preparing to go home and others have pulled back from outposts to bases. But the planned pull-back of all American soldiers from Iraqi cities by the end of June will probably not be fully met.

In an exclusive interview, the top US ground commander in Iraq says Iraqi officials are likely

to ask for US help in the key cities of Baquba and Mosul, meaning that American troops may stay there after the deadline for redeployment to major bases. Senior military commanders say

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US troops will also likely stay on in the southern city of Basra.

"In Mosul and Diyala [Province], as we do a combined or joint assessment of the situation on the ground, I have every expectation that both sides will say we



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need to stay with this a little bit longer until this improves," says Lt. Gen. Lloyd Austin.

While US forces are to hand over combat missions to Iraqis *See IRAQ page 10*

TROUBLE SPOT: US soldiers patrol Baquba, capital of Diyala Province, where fighting continues.



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WHAT MAKES A TEACHER GOOD?

This series explores efforts to attract and cultivate more excellence at the head of the class.

One central issue: How are future teachers best prepared for the work ahead?

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PASSAGE TO INDIA?

US workers migrate overseas

By **BEN ARNOLDY**
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DELHI AND PUNE, INDIA – IBM announced a major round of US layoffs on Thursday, even as the company has been hiring workers in developing nations like India.

But over the past year, the company began offering US workers who are facing a job cut a novel carrot: If you apply for a new IBM position in a foreign country and are hired again at local wages, we will cover some of the transition costs like visa fees.

Few IBMers have taken the offer, and the firm has taken public relations lumps over it. But a handful of pioneering Americans at other

firms have started to shop their skills on the Indian market, finding fulfillment and job security at a time of deep recession back home.

The IBM offer hints at a future where it's not just skilled Indians who might have to travel halfway

An IBM offer hints at a future where it's not just skilled Indians who travel the globe for work.

around the globe for a job. It's likely that more American job seekers will have to think globally, say analysts, and the experiences of Americans who have taken jobs

with companies here say it's not something to fear.

"I was making six figures when I left the States. I'm making six figures here – in rupees," laughs Jeanne Heydecker, a marketing *See JOBS page 11*



IN TRAINING: Danielle Silverman (l.) and Lakeyk Poston discuss a lesson at a K-8 school in Chicago.