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The coalition of the not-so-willing continues to fall apart, with Hungary the latest country to say, "You're on your own!" to the U.S. I suppose they were trying to be polite by not announcing this before the elections, but it would have been nice if they'd let the American people know BEFORE they voted that Hungary was voting with its feet on Iraq and getting the hell out. Out of 160,000 total coalition forces, 138,000 are U.S.

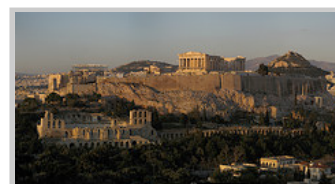
"Other nations that have recently announced withdrawals include: Poland, with 2,350 troops; Italy, 3,000; the Netherlands, 1,300; Ukraine, 1,450, Norway, 300; New Zealand, 61; and Thailand, 880," reports USA Today.

"Previously, Spain, the Dominican Republic, Honduras, Nicaragua, the Philippines, the Czech Republic, Kazakhstan and El Salvador withdrew forces. New contributors to the force are South Korea and Tonga."

I'd take pleasure in knowing Bush has to deal with this instead of Kerry, but our young men and women are dying in Iraq and we desperately need MORE TROOPS. Bush insists the generals haven't asked for any, but they know they're not supposed to or their career is over so what a surprise that they don't. Meanwhile, any fool knows we need more troops to defend those ammo depots, pretend to defend the leaky borders and start attacking the insurgents.



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