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Col. Martin B. Pitts, commander, 16<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade, thanks Shaykh Mahmoud, Qayarah city council chairman, for his input at the March Souq at Contingency Operating Base Q-West March 21. At the monthly Souq, or market, Ninawa provincial leaders and Army and U.S. civilian leaders meet and discuss concerns and provincial infrastructure projects. At this meeting Pitts and other officials discussed what roles U.S. Army, Iraqi Security Forces and other agencies would have in regional security concerns under the new Security Agreement that took effect Jan. 1, 2009, and discussed hiring more Iraqis for U.S.-led infrastructure projects. (Photo by Sgt. Keith M. Anderson)