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TO: Honorable Condoleezza Rice

FROM: Donald Rumsfeld

SUBJECT: Interaction w/MoD Ivanov

I am concerned about the interaction with MoD Sergei Ivanov.

At the NSC meeting, you mentioned a series of comments from one of your conversations with Ivanov that related to the Department of Defense. It is clear that he is getting the impression that you are his contact in the U.S. Government. If that is the case, we have a problem. I am not receiving memos of conversations you are having with him, which means I am in the dark.

How do we sort this out?

Thanks.

DHR:dh
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