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TO: Honorable Condoleezza Rice

FROM: Donald Rumsfeld

SUBJECT: NSC Meetings

I seem to be spending a lot of time going to meetings and then coming back and debriefing and taking action off the meetings. I am going to start bringing someone with me to the NSC meeting, so I will have a few more minutes in the day to do the work I have to do here at the Department.

I think that is the only efficient way to do things. I understand the original logic, but given all the Department of Defense has to do, and given the fact that the Vice President has Scooter there and you have Hadley to assist you after the meetings, I am going to start bringing somebody—either Wolfowitz or Feith.

Thanks.

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