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INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

FROM:

CONDOLEEZZA RIGE

SUBJECT:

Need for a briefing on Salafist financial and spiritual networks

Don,

The lead on terrorist financing is an interagency effort that Fran Townsend has led. I will arrange a briefing. The "spiritual network" has largely been treated as a disruption effort through the Agency. Elliott Abrams at the NSC has also helped to coordinate a Muslim World Outreach strategy that might be of interest. I will ask them to brief as well.



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October 26, 2004

TO:

Dr. Condoleezza Rice

FROM:

Donald Rumsfeld

SUBJECT: Need for Briefing

The center of gravity of the global struggle against extremists is very likely the Salafist financial network and the Salafist spiritual network.

I think it would be helpful to get a briefing for the PC meeting and eventually an NSC meeting, where we receive a report as to what is being done.

The lead agencies for those two taskers could brief the PC and the NSC, so the rest of us are aware of what is going on and are able to assist and cooperate. I assume Treasury has the lead on the financial networks and that State has the lead on the spiritual networks.

Thanks.



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