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Gene McAuliffe

Very privately, I would like you personally to draft a letter from me to Rogers and Kissinger that simply lays out in a nice neutral way my view on the Office of Defense Advisor, the U. S. Military Representative, and the U. S. Mission to NATO.

It ought to contain organizational recommendations that would modify substantially the way it presently operates.

Second, it ought to contain recommendations for substantial reductions in personnel. They ought to be in the form of possibilities and the letter also ought to obviously reflect the fact that there may be considerations that dictate against this, but from my personal vantage point, this is what I see.

Don't show it to anyone else.

Donald Rumsfeld

