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June 27, 2005

TO: Gen Pete Pace

CC: Gen Dick Myers

FROM: Donald Rumsfeld

SUBJECT: Briefing for Secretary Rice

Condi Rice asked to be briefed on the way ahead in Iraq. I told her that would be fine, but rather than Abizaid or Casey doing it, I thought it would be much better if you or Skip Sharp got with her. She should be walked through the paper on the state of the insurgency and the preliminary thinking, but whoever does it will have to give her all the question marks and cautions that aren't on the paper.

Thanks.

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Please Respond By July 28, 2005

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