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TO: **Gen Dick** Myers

J8 lead

FROM: **Donald Rumsfeld** *DR*

J3 assist

SUBJECT: **Stability Operations**

We need the force structure necessary to **do** Stability **Ops**.

**Thanks.**

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Please respond by 2/17/05

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FOR: SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

FROM: General Richard B. Myers, CJCS *For R/B Myers 2/24/05*

SUBJECT: Stability Operations (SF 943)

- **Answer.** In response to your issue (TAB), we have and will continue to evaluate stability operations and the associated force structure and capabilities. Numerous past and ongoing analytic efforts directly address stability operations. The studies are serving as input to the upcoming Quadrennial Defense Review (QDR). The QDR is tentatively scheduled to provide initial capability mix recommendations, which will include the capabilities and force structure required for stability operations, by May 2005. Final decisions on the recommendations are expected in July 2005.
- **Analysis**
  - Two Strategic Planning Guidance (SPG) 06-11 studies, "Increase US Military Capabilities for Stability Operations" and "Enhancing Stability Operations," captured current Service and Joint Staff initiatives to address shortfalls in the required capabilities for sustained stability operations. These studies evaluated the intelligence requirements, the Active/Reserve Component implications and the ability to rapidly generate capabilities and technologies for stability operations.
  - The Operational Availability series of studies (OA-04, 05) also identified key capabilities for conducting stability operations and the implications stability operations have on force structure. The contemporary analysis contained in OA-05 will be used in the QDR. The OA-05 study will be complete in March 2005.

COORDINATION: NONE

Attachment:  
As stated

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