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cc: Paul Wolfowitz
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FROM: Donald Rumsfeld
SUBJECT: Afghanistan

Does the fact that the Defense Department can't do anything on the ground in Afghanistan until CIA people go in first to prepare the way suggest that the Defense Department is lacking a capability we need?

Specifically, given the nature of our world, isn't it conceivable that the Department ought not to be in a position of near total dependence on CIA in situations such as this?

After you have reflected on this, please come back to me with a coordinated proposal as to what we might want to do about it, if anything.

Thanks.