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Sent: Sunday, November 30, 2003 11:36 AM
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Subject: RE: Security Agreement
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Fred:

Ambassador Bremer has asked that we brief him on status of this matter; we're on his schedule from 0900-0930, 4 December.

(Principal addressees of this e-mail are invited to attend.)

He'll expect to see plan with milestones and our "red lines" at that time.

Accordingly, we're asking attendees at yesterday's meeting to provide input to us by morning of December 3.

I'll circulate proposed plan and consolidated "red lines" for comment soon thereafter.

Best, Scott

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We had an interesting discussion at a meeting yesterday chaired by Governance about the pending security agreement. Attending were Scott Castle, (b)(6) myself, several officers from CJTF-7, and one or two other lawyers.

Much of the discussion centered on the questions we have all been asking for the past two weeks:

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(b)(6) introduced a dose of reality into the discussion about how much we should expect from the Iraqi side. The GC members will be running for elections and will not want to appear to be appeasing the Coalition on tough issues such as jurisdiction.

The group agreed that CPA General Counsel, Governance, National Security Affairs, CJTF-7, and CENTCOM are the major players putting together and negotiating the agreement. General Counsel will "control the pen." Help and guidance is expected from Washington. Every effort must also be made to keep the Coalition capitals involved.

Scott told us (a) he expects a team from the States (OSD, Joint Staff, CENTCOM) to arrive in about a week, although, contrary to rumors, they are not coming specifically to negotiate the agreement; (2) he will be going to Washington on December 15th to have discussions on the agreement; and (3) (b)(6)

has prepared a rough draft (which he assured us has touched upon the issues raised at this meeting). We agreed that Scott should go to Washington with a game plan because CJTF-7, Governance team, and other CPA offices have the best feel for what we want, what we need, and what's feasible.

The group agreed that by Friday, December 5th, everyone should provide red lines on what must be included in the agreement and what must not be included. We agreed to have another meeting soon after the 5th, at which time we hope to have a look at the draft.

Fred

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