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**BRIEFING MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE  
FOR SPECIAL POLITICAL AFFAIRS**

From: POL - William Brencick  
Subject: Your Meeting with EU Special Representative for Sudan Pekka Haavisto  
Thursday, April 6, 2006 - 11:00 A.M.

**(U) Talking Points:**

- A quick and effective UN re-hat of AMIS and full deployment of an eventual UN mission to Darfur remains our first priority. SYG Annan needs to remain personally involved in the process, pushing for DPKO action, AU cooperation and GNU consent. The AU needs to cooperate with the UN and be explicit in the type of assistance it seeks from international partners, including the EU and NATO.
- We must work together to ensure the GNU does not delay or derail efforts to improve and expand Darfur peacekeeping. We must work to ensure the UN's assessment mission is dispatched as soon as possible. What kind of outreach is the EU doing to this end?
- We want to work closely with the EU as NATO develops a plan to assist AMIS, especially in improving command and control issues. Training, mentoring, advising and strategic airlift are the preferred options, which could involve up to 500 training and support personnel.
- Donor support to AMIS must continue. The EU's recent pledge was welcome - for what is it intended? Will the EU consider additional funding through AMIS transition? The USG just asked Congress for \$123 million, \$14 million of which will be to bring AMIS troops up to UN standards. Will the EU consider such assistance as well?
- We should be willing to act at high levels to assist SYG Annan's efforts to secure TCC pledges, namely those willing to participate in a robust mission.
- We must maintain pressure on the Abuja parties to reach a political settlement, which would facilitate AMIS transition.
- We value our relationship with you on Sudan/Darfur policy coordination and plan to maintain this mechanism at the highest levels as the process moves forward.

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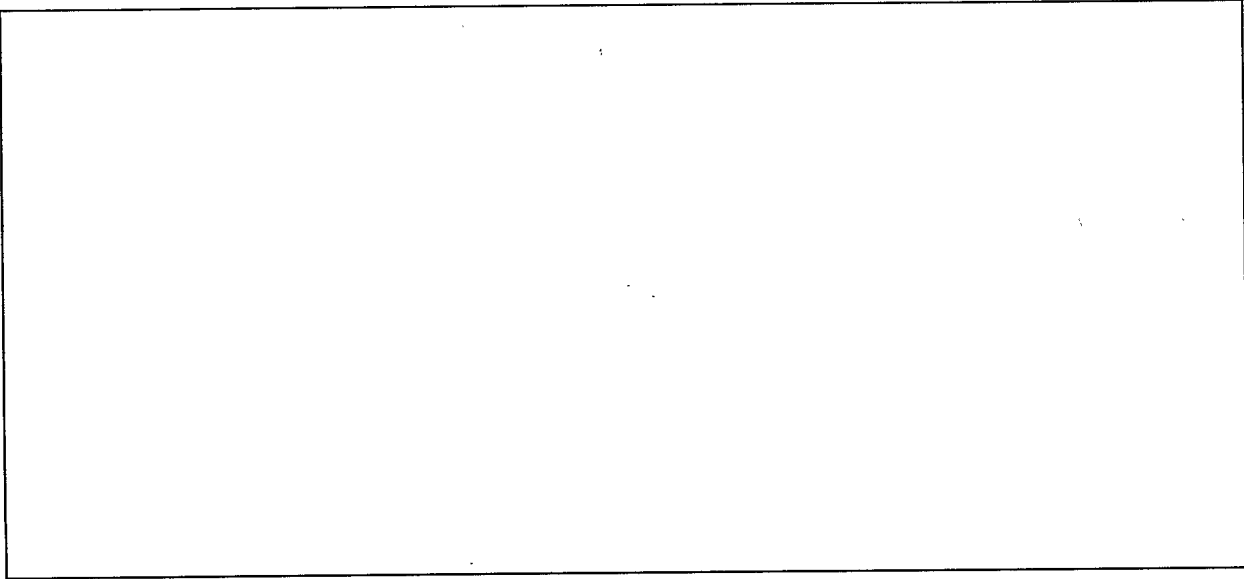
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