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FOR EAGLETON FROM PELLETREAU

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SUBJECT: RUNSFELD VISIT TO IRAQ

REF: BAGHDAD 3062√

(5) - ENTIRE -TEXT.

AMBASSADOR RUMSFELD IS PLEASED WITH THE POSITIVE RESPONSE IN PRINCIPLE TO YOUR SOUNDING. HE DEFINITELY WISHES TO COME TO BAGHOAD, AND HAS AN OPENING IN HIS YERY TIGHT SCHEDULE THE EVENING OF THE TWELFTH AND HORNING OF THE THIRTEENTH. HE DOES' NOT THINK THE VISIT WILL BE WORTHWHILE UNLESS HE HAS AN APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT SADDAN HUSSEIN. HE PROBABLY WILL BE CARRYING A PRESIDENTIAL HESSAGE FOR SADDAH. YOU SHOULD SEEK GOI APPROVAL FOR A VISIT ON THESE DATES.

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3. HE MOULD TIKE YOUR THOUGHTS

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WHICH ITEMS DO WE WANT UP FRONT AND HOW SHOULD WE APPROACH THE IRAQIS TO GET THEM? IN OTHER WORDS, HOW CAN WE USE THIS VISIT TO GET OUT OF THE GOI CERTAIN THINGS WE HAY DESIRE. WHAT ELSE ARE THEY LIKELY TO RAISE AND HOW

SHOULD WE RESPOND?

5. PLEASE CABLE RESPONSE TO BEIRUT BY SATURDAY, DEC. 10, OR TO LONDON AND PARIS IF AN ANSWER IS AVAILABLE BY COBDEC. 7. PARTY WILL BE IN TRANSIT FROM PARIS TO BEIRUT ON DEC 8. SLUG RESPONSE FOR TON HILLER. DAM

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