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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Democracy, Human Rights and International Operations PCC Read-Out

PCC was held in EEOB, 1430-1600 H on Thursday, July 31, 2003 with NSC Democracy, Human Rights and International Operations Director Shirin Tahir-Kheli in the Chair.

**Attendees:** Included U/S for Global Affairs Paula Dobriansky, A/S for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor Lorne Craner, NSC Middle East Director Elliott Abrams, DAS for Near Eastern Affairs Liz Cheney, DASD Joseph Collins, and USAID reps.

Topic of discussion was "Building a Framework for Democracy and Human Rights in Iraq" and paper "Transition to Representative Government in Iraq" highlighting a Coalition Provisional Authority scheme (attached).

Director Tahir-Kheli began with some impressions of her trip to Iraq and asked U/S Dobriansky and A/S Craner to comment on their trips to Iraq. Comments centered on the Iraqi Governing Council (GC) and the generally positive impression of the group, as well as the GC's commitment to get things done.

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DAS Cheney asked the PCC to examine how this effort would be coordinated with the overall regional strategy.

Due-outs: USAID said they would come back with a better break-out of the current contracting situation with RTI and other groups, including what has been obligated thus far. State will give more details on how the \$50M envisioned in the plan is divided by objective.

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Director Abrams said he wanted to have a more fleshed-out paper ready for an August Deputies Committee.

Attachments: NSC agenda and discussion paper.

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