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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF UNDER SECRETARIES OF DEFENSE DIRECTOR, NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY

SUBJECT: Support for Inspections in Iraq/NSPD-21

(U) National Security Presidential Directive/NSPD-21 has been issued.

(U) The Under Secretary of Defense for Policy is assigned primary responsibility for implementing the National Security Presidential Directive/NSPD-21. The office of primary responsibility will take all appropriate action, may make further notification, and additional distribution of NSPD-21 as necessary. All Department of Defense actions in the implementation of NSPD-21 are to be coordinated with the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

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## NATIONAL SECURITY PRESIDENTIAL DIRECTIVE/NSPD-21

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SUBJECT :

Support for Inspections in Iraq

#### BACKGROUND

In 1991, Iraq agreed to a U.N.-negotiated cease-fire to end the war of aggression it had launched against Kuwait. The cease-fire terms included a requirement that Iraq destroy its weapons of mass destruction and long-range missiles and Iraq's voluntary acceptance of, and cooperation with, comprehensive, unfettered inspections to ensure compliance with this requirement. For seven years, Iraq deceived U.N. inspectors and defied the inspections regime before finally denying inspectors access completely in 1998. (U)

The Iraqi regime must now show that it has made a strategic shift in its approach and decided to comply with its obligations. A new U.N. inspection regime provides a means to test whether the Iraqi regime has made this strategic shift and is willing to give up its weapons of mass destruction. There can be zero tolerance for further deception or noncompliance. Inspections must place priority on early testing of Iraq's willingness to cooperate and to be disarmed of weapons of mass destruction. To be successful, inspections must be rigorous, comprehensive, pervasive and intrusive. (U)

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### UNITED STATES SUPPORT FOR INSPECTIONS

The United States will provide support to the United Nations Monitoring, Verification, and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC) and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to accomplish their missions, provided that UNMOVIC and IAEA provide assurances that they will:

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1. Operate in an assertive manner;

2. Take all necessary precautions to protect their operations from penetration or manipulation by any hostile intelligence service, including the Iraqi Intelligence Service.

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4. Provide for the security of U.S. sensitive technology and equipment; and

5. Reimburse the United States Government for services rendered, as appropriate.

Requests for support will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis, taking into account: protection of intelligence sources and methods; protection of other sensitive information and equipment; and whether requested assets are required for other purposes, including for bolstering force posture in the region.

Subject to these criteria, the United States will provide full support to the UNMOVIC and IAEA missions in Iraq. Moreover, while we progress on these conditions, it is time to begin such support.

Fulfilling these missions requires that UNMOVIC and the IAEA employ a strategy of robust, flexible, and secure inspections that use, as appropriate, the full range of relevant technical and human capabilities. Consistent with the criteria established above, the United States will respond to UNMOVIC and IAEA requests for material, operational, personnel,<sup>(D)(1)</sup> as well as suggest such support to UNMOVIC and the IAEA sufficient to accomplish the responsibilities mandated for them by the relevant U.N. Security Council Resolutions.

The Secretaries of State, Treasury, Defense, Commerce, and Energy, the Attorney General, and the Director of Central Intelligence should ensure that the necessary internal directives are issued designating officials responsible for providing support to both UNMOVIC and the IAEA. These directives should ensure that support for UNMOVIC and the IAEA receives a high

priority.

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The Secretaries of State, Treasury, Defense, Commerce, and Energy, the Attorney General, and the Director of Central Intelligence will provide support consistent with the criteria established above. Interagency coordination will be accomplished through the Proliferation Strategy Policy Coordination Committee (PCC), which reports to the Deputies and Principals Committees. The PCC will consider, for example, the appropriate level of support, measures to ensure the security of sensitive information and technologies, and the progress of UNMOVIC's and the IAEA's work to ensure that it continues to be consistent with the goals outlined above. The Department of State will be responsible for coordinating official communications with UNMOVIC and the IAEA, and for coordinating U.S. support for, and assistance to, UNMOVIC and the IAEA within policy guidance.