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**MEMO TO: Secretary Rumsfeld**

**DATE: June 4, 2004**

**FROM: Paul Wolfowitz**

**SUBJECT: EUCOM C-130 Support to ISAF**

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Jim's support proposal is intended to serve as a catalyst for further NATO contributions to ISAF. He plans to make a formal announcement of our proposed contribution at the June 8, 2004 ISAF requirements conference. Jim has been working to secure NATO's commitment to the ISAF Expansion and in particular to the sourcing required for the following critical shortfalls: the personnel for up to 18 PRTs, security forces, intelligence, surveillance & reconnaissance, and utility helicopters and medical facilities. He considers our contribution key to this effort.

I'm planning to talk to Jim tomorrow with Pete Pace about the importance of increasing NATO's contribution to Afghanistan.

I recommend your support and approval of his C-130 initiative.

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