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CC: Gen Pete Pace
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FROM: Donald Rumsfeld 

SUBJECT: Good Job on the Constitutional Referendum

Iraq

It certainly looks like the referendum will go down in the history books as a big success from a security and execution standpoint. Over 60% voter turnout, far fewer security incidents than in January, and Iraqi Security Forces' involvement at every level - excellent work!

Please pass along my thanks to all concerned.

Thanks.

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