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**Meeting and Luncheon with Central Military Commission
Vice Chairman General Zhang Wannian
Thursday, July 13**

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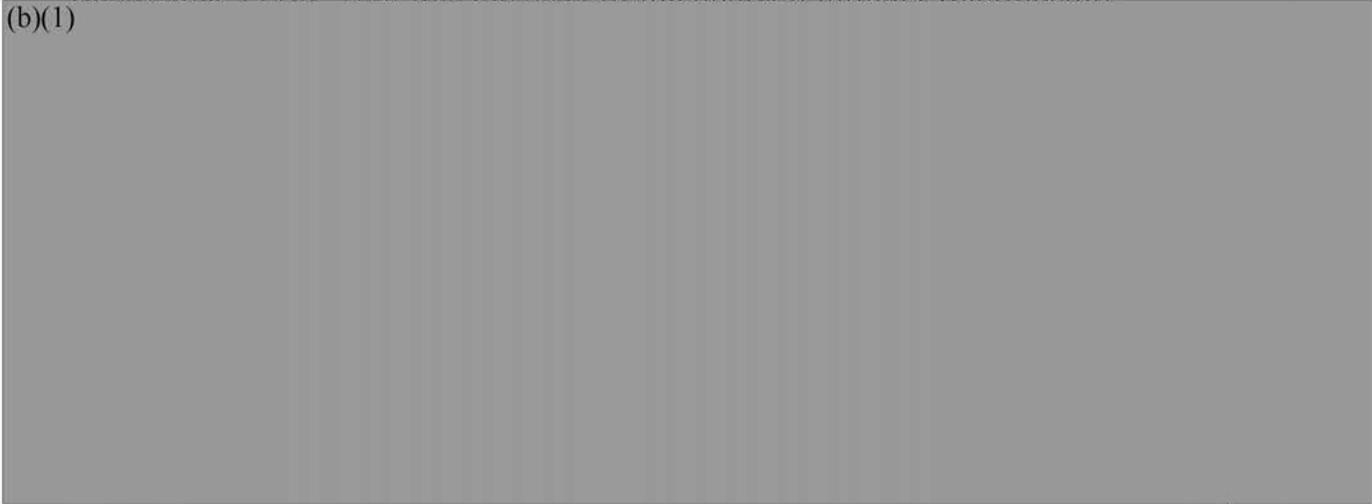
U.S. Attendees: CORE 15

Chinese Attendees: Possibly include CMC Member and Director of the General Political Department, General Yu Yongbo *cc: Zhong Peizhao*

Background:

You last met with General Zhang during his visit to Washington in September 1998. This was the peak of the bilateral military relationship

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Objectives:

- Convey satisfaction at resumption of mil-mil ties as important for overall bilateral relationship
- Counter misperceptions about U.S. strategy and intent internationally
- Provide U.S. perspective on Taiwan, missile defense, proliferation, Kosovo, and range of other international security issues

Key Themes:

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- Importance of the military to military relationship as component of state to state relationship and to build mutual understanding of other's perspectives and views
- Defense relations need to be sustained in bad times as well as good
- Restraint on Taiwan, peaceful resolution, and no use of force
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