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INFORMATION PAPER

Subject: NSPD-18 and Support to Colombia

1. (U) Purpose: To respond to VCJCS question regarding National Security Presidential Directive-18, "What does this mean in terms of concrete things to be done?"

2. (U) Background:

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• (U) Legislation: The FY03 Defense Appropriations Act provides expanded authority to use FY03 and earlier DOD Colombia assistance funds for Colombia's unified campaign against narco trafficking and designated terrorist groups (FARC, ELN, AUC).

- (U) Proscribes US participation in combat in connection with the assistance.

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(U) Limits USG assistance to 400 military and 400 civilian contractors.

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- (U) Support previously existing programs such as joint planning assistance team, aviation technical assistance field team, and tactical analysis team deployments.

5. (U) DOD will provide the following additional support:

- (U) Train the Colombian security forces for Colombia's Infrastructure Security Strategy (ISS) in Arauca Department to defend the Cano Limon-Coveñas pipeline complex (between km 0-178).
  - (U) J3 is staffing the DEPOD for a 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr/FY03 Special Forces deployment.
  - (U) US forces will train the Colombian 18<sup>th</sup> Brigade—goal is to improve the Brigade's ability to control the pipeline area by preventing, interdicting, and disrupting terrorists before they attack.
  - (U) Approval of the deployment is pending Congressional release of \$6M supplemental appropriation. Senate Appropriations Committee (SACFO) is holding the funds due to verbiage of required certification. State is engaging Congress to resolve.

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- (U) Coordinate DOD 'multi-int' collection, analysis, production and dissemination efforts.

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- (U) Bilateral agreements proscribe using FOLs for non-CD missions.
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- (U) Resume the Air Bridge Denial program.
  - (U) USG suspended the program in Apr 02 following Peruvian shoot down of missionary aircraft.
  - (U) Program may resume in Colombia and Peru in mid-FY03 under DOS-INL lead.
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    - > (U) President Uribe addressed this again during 23 Sep visit with DepSecDef.
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