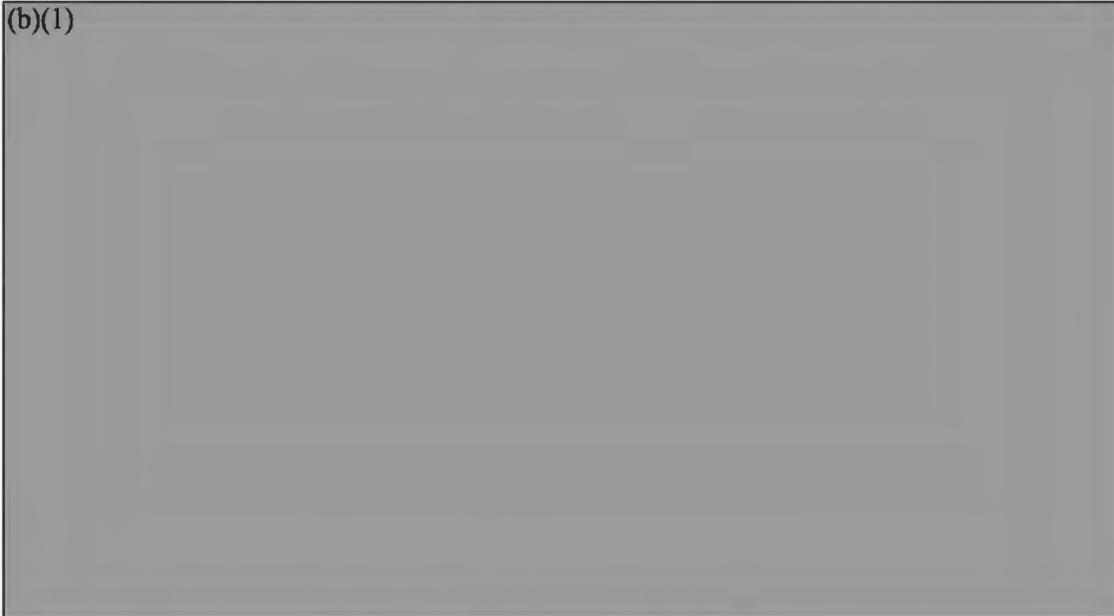


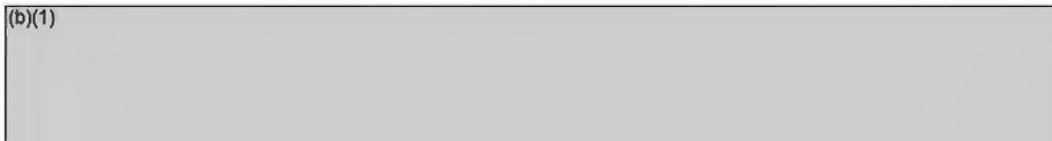
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RECOMMENDED TASKS AND TALKING POINTS**

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- **Task:** Emphasize war against terrorism a global effort.
- **Points:**
  - Still much work that needs to be done in Afghanistan, we must all remember that this is a global war on terrorism.

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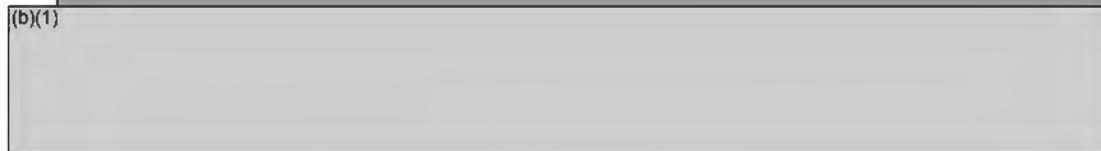


- As we consider what steps to take beyond Afghanistan, we intend to consult closely with our allies and friends.

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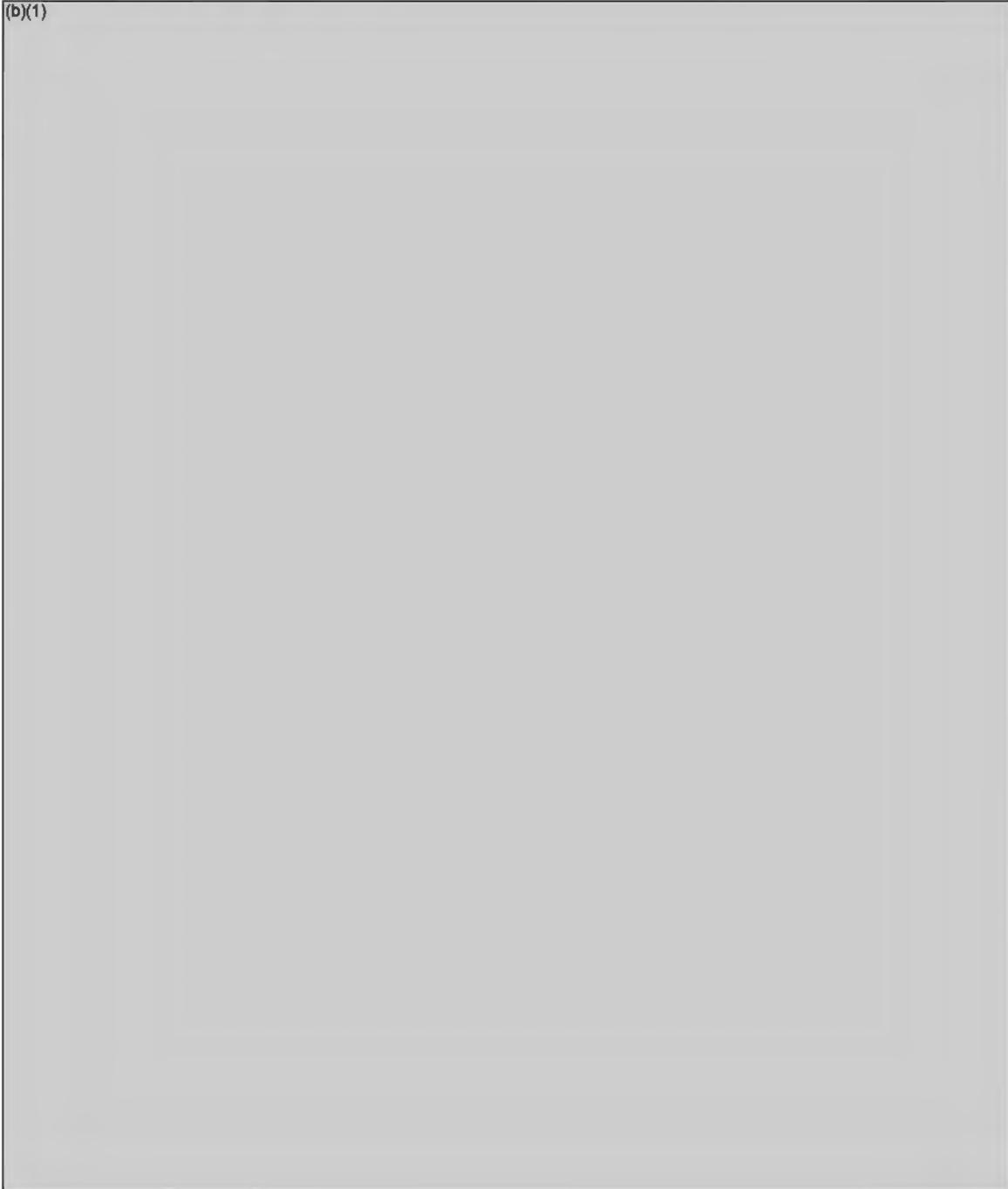


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- Task: Emphasize importance of reducing India-Pakistan tensions.
- Points:
  - Appreciates Her Majesty's Government's efforts to defuse India-Pakistan tension by urging parties to reduce military tension, tone down rhetoric, and return to dialogue.

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- Task: Promote long-term bilateral relationship and U.S. basing in Turkey.
- Points:
  - See Turkish leadership in Balkans, Middle East, Caucasus, and Central Asia as positive and crucial factor bringing stability to regions.
  - Turkish state the model for states in region to emulate: stable and secular democracy, open markets, firm foundation in institutions and values of West.

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