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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

To: Condoleezza Rice
Steve Hadley
Richard Armitage
Paul Wolfowitz
John McLaughlin
General Peter Pace

SUBJECT: Khalilzad Conversation with Masood Barzani

DATE: March 12, 2003

Khalilzad spoke with Masood Barzani on March 12, 2003 to encourage Barzani to attend the upcoming talks in Ankara. Barzani reported that he received a positive oral communiqué from Turkish Prime Minister Gul (which his aide has written down) and will send a positive response tomorrow. Barzani said he would send both communications to Khalilzad.

Khalilzad stressed that it is extremely important that Barzani personally attend the talks in Ankara. He also stressed that it is vital that the Kurds do nothing to antagonize the Turks, nor give them any reason to enter N. Iraq.

Khalilzad said that the U.S. delegation would hold talks with the Iraqi opposition to discuss next steps for the leadership committee. Then multi-laterals, to include the Turks, would be held to discuss the ITF issue, Turkish military plans, and other relevant issues. Barzani said he would seriously consider attending the talks, although he admitted he was reluctant to travel right now. If he does not attend himself, Barzani said he would send his deputy, Nichervan and would give him a broad mandate.

Barzani noted that he spoke with Adnan Pachachi and that Pachachi was reluctant to join the leadership committee. Barzani told Khalilzad that it is important that Pachachi join the committee and ask Khalilzad to help convince Pachachi. Khalilzad said he would consider meeting with Pachachi on his way back from Ankara [Note: That is, if there are no objections in Washington].

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from Turkish Prime Minister Gul. Barzani said, according to Chalabi, that he would send a positive letter in return.

•) Chalabi informed Khalilzad that he had received a request for a meeting with the opposition leaders from General Garner [Note: Khalilzad had not known about this request]. Chalabi recommended that Garner come as part of Khalilzad's delegation and that the opposition leadership would bring the chairmen of the reconstruction and humanitarian committees for the meeting. Khalilzad will talk with Garner.

•) Chalabi told Khalilzad that he has money for broadcasting, but only from London, not from Iraq. He would like to amend the grant they currently have so they can broadcast from Iraq--using PUK's facilities. He is not requesting more money, just that the current money be reprogrammed. Khalilzad will look into this.

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