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E.O. 12065: RDS-1 12/6/00 (HIRSCH, J.L.)

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SUBJECT: BRIEFING FOR PRIME MINISTER BEGIN

1. (SECRET - ENTIRE TEXT)

2. WHILE TOM PICKERING IS PROCEEDING TO ISRAEL AS SCHEDULED TO PARTICIPATE IN BINATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION DISCUSSIONS, WE HAVE DECIDED THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER IF YOU RATHER THAN TOM BRIEF BEGIN ON THE IRAQI NUCLEAR PROGRAM. TOM WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE TALKING POINTS FOR YOUR PRESENTATION AS WELL AS WITH ANSWERS TO FOLLOW-ON QUESTIONS WHICH BEGIN MIGHT RAISE. IF YOU WISH, WE CAN

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ARRANGE A SECURE PHONE CALL ON MONDAY DURING WHICH I CAN EXPLAIN FURTHER THE BACKGROUND TO THIS CHANGE. CHRISTOPHER

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