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cc 'C'

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PAPERS FOR THE PRIME MINISTER

I attach a folder containing the various draft papers commissioned by the Prime Minister which we are to discuss in your office at 4.30 pm tomorrow 7 March. I am sending a full set of the papers (less the JIC material – for handling reasons) to 'C'. Other copy addressees have already received copies of most of the papers but I am arranging to circulate the latest versions of the Iraq paper and the papers on oil and drugs.

2. The papers are as follows:

- Iraq (including Annexes on Legal Issues and the UNSCRs and attitudes of third countries) Flag A
- Global Trade in WMD and Delivery Systems – see separate pack of JIC papers with covering note
- WMD paper for public consumption
(coming under a minute from John Scarlett) Flag B
- North Korea Flag C

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- Iran Flag D
- Phase 2 States of Concern Flag E
- MEPP Flag F
- EU/US contributions to peace and development Flag G
- Security of Supply of Oil Flag H
- Drugs Flag I

3. The Foreign Secretary's office are writing to you separately with thoughts on Georgia.

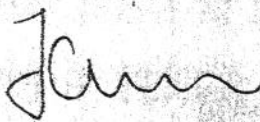
4. A number of these papers are factual position papers and probably do not merit or need much further work before being seen by the Prime Minister. The exceptions are:

- a. The Iraq paper which you will want to consider and discuss with colleagues before deciding how to take it to the next stage.
- b. The WMD paper for public consumption which has yet to be 'blue-pencilled' by a PR specialist and on which a policy decision needs to be taken about whether to confirm the scope to Pakistan or, as is currently the case, to range more widely.
- c. Balance Sheet of US and European Expenditure, on which it is not clear that we can produce anything that would be useful for deployment with President Bush.

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- d. The Oil and Drugs papers. Geoff Mulgan has it in mind to produce a further paper on positive ways in which to address the oil vulnerability question.

**TOM MCKANE**

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