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IRAQ: RECONSTRUCTION AGENDA

Here are some first thoughts on the agenda for the new group.

- Humanitarian assistance. OFF, the UN Appeal, Role of UN Specialised Agencies and NGOs.
- ORHA Role, competence and UK links with and involvement in.
- Wider UN role on reconstruction. Further Resolution, Special Representative.
- Political process. Fate of the Baath party. Outline plan exists, not agreed with US.
- Economy. Oil, debt, reparations, frozen assets, international conference. Outline plan prepared. Good contacts with US.
- Reconstruction of infrastructure. Depends on damage. Beginning now. Disagreements with US on role of Iraqis. Timing of resumption of oil flows.
- Security sector reform. Ideas offered to US, but no plan.
- Public administration reform and service delivery. No plan yet?
- Commercial opportunities, short and medium term. Role of British companies. USAID "Mother Contract" apparently let. Potential for UK subcontractors. Needs wider policy agreement with US.
- Legal issues. Dealing with crimes of Saddam's regime and judicial and legal reform. Some contact with US. No firm agreement. No plan.
- Disarmament. No agreement with US on extent of involvement of UN inspectors. UK role.
- Reintegrating Iraq into the international community. Regional relations. Retaining refugees, including from UK.

2. I will discuss all of this with Dominick Chilcott. Copy to Tom Dodd.

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