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PRIME MINISTER

Iraq

I'd be grateful if you could flag up very forcefully these points with President Bush:

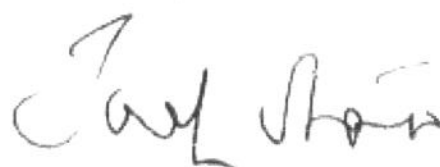
2. **UK must be fully involved in all decisions** since the US has forced us to be jointly responsible for the effect of all Coalition decisions across Iraq. (We wanted an MoU with the US to agree that the UK was solely responsible for our southern area; the US for the rest of Iraq. The US refused. The result, as Peter Goldsmith advises (andoubtedly correctly) - we are jointly liable for all decisions - but many complaints that we are being sidelined in CPA, below Sawers' level.

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6. Thanks

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jack Straw". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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5 June 2003

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