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CDS DISCUSSION WITH CJCS, GENERAL MYERS - 3 Jul 02

1. Iraq. CDS met with General Myers in Brussels on 3 Jul. The predominant points of discussion were on Iraq:

- CDS made it very clear that the UK was pleased to be invited to take part in planning for a military operation against Iraq but that this had to be understood as implying no political commitment to contribute to an actual operation. CJCS sympathised with this point and agreed that CDS would write formally (Copy CENTCOM), reiterating this condition.
- CDS expressed his reservations that it appeared that Military Planning was taking place in a political void

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