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BRIEFING MEMORANDUM

TO:

The Secretary

FROM:

NEA - Bill Burns W

SUBJECT:

Principals' Committee Meeting on the Vice President's trip; Tuesday, 2:00-3:00 P.M., March 26, 2002, White House Situation Room

Key Objectives for Your Participation in the PC:



Background

The Vice President has convened a Principals' Committee meeting to review his recent visit to the UK, Turkey, and the Middle East. The Vice President visited the United Kingdom, Egypt, Jordan, Oman, the United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Qatar, Kuwait, Yemen, Israel, and Turkey March 10-20. Key objectives for his trip included:

- Encouraging closer counterterrorism cooperation, while expressing appreciation for support to date;
- Reassuring key leaders about the value we place on bilateral relations, plus seeking to open strategic dialogues on the future of these relationships;
- Previewing next steps toward Iraq;

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- Underscoring that the U.S. remains fully engaged in efforts to achieve a comprehensive settlement to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict; and
- Emphasizing the importance of reform.

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