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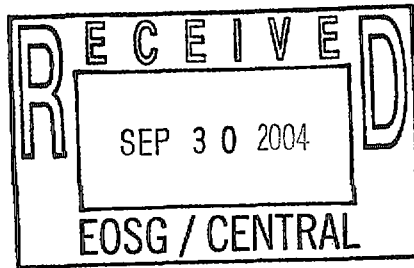
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Note to the Secretary-General

Timing of Arbour/Mendez Briefing to the Security Council

1. While Ms. Arbour and Mr. Mendez could brief the Council as early as Wednesday, 29 September. If you wish to be present, your schedule would need to be adjusted by shifting a number of high priority bilaterals. On Thursday, 30 September, your morning programme could be adjusted by shifting Prof. Schwab and Archbishop Lajolo of the Holy See. Friday, 1 October, is the first day of the United Kingdom Presidency which is normally dedicated for bilaterals with the Council members. You are scheduled to meet the Council President at 10:00 am. However, the United Kingdom may be willing to schedule the Arbour/Mendez briefing to the Council instead.
2. Mr. Pronk is currently scheduled to brief the Security Council on Tuesday, 5 October, in accordance with resolution 1556 (2004). The briefing would be held in a public meeting followed by consultations in a private meeting. Time has already been blocked in your schedule to allow for your attendance. (You see Irene Khan that day)
3. Mr. Prendergast talked to Mr. Pronk who sees advantage in holding both briefings on the same occasion on 5 October. This is inadvisable as it would confuse the two aspects, and in any case, is very late following the return of the Arbour/Mendez mission.

Your guidance would be appreciated.



[Signature]
S. Iqbal Riza
24 September 2004

Sir
Please arrange the briefing for
30 Sept. Thanks.

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23/09/2004 11:18 AM

To: Sir Kieran Prendergast/DPA/NY/UNO@UNDP
cc: Vida Cofie-robertson/UNDP@UNDP@UNHQ
Subject: Arbour/Mendez briefing to the Security Council

KP,

The SG has asked that we coordinate with you the timing for Ms. Arbour's and Mr. Mendez' briefing to the Security Council. He himself wishes to be present at the meeting.

Ms. Arbour will be back in Geneva on Sunday and would normally have to attend a CHR meeting on Tuesday, 28 September. Mr. Mendez would be available in New York as of 29 September.

From the SG's calendar point of view, Monday 4 October would be best. However, waiting for an entire week following Ms Arbour's return might send the wrong signal. With great difficulty, arrangements could be made for the SG to be available on 30 September or 1 October. The latter date is normally kept for bilaterals of the incoming SecCo President with Council members. Stephanides does not see any problem with exceptionally scheduling an urgent matter on that day and believes that the UK Presidency would be agreeable.

Please advise whether the briefing can be scheduled on 4 October. The SG would like you to ensure that Mr. Pronk does not have any problems with the briefing and its timing.

Thank you

Peter

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1. I spoke to Pronk. He is due to brief the Council on Darfur on 5 October. He sees advantage in both briefings being held on the same occasion. This wd point to a Pronk/Arbour/Mendez event in the Sec. C'cil on 4 or 5 October.

2. Meanwhile, I hear that Jan Egeland has asked to brief the C'cil on Darfur in late October. This was not coordinated with the Lead dept. I don't know if EOSE was consulted.

But I am against a proliferation of briefings on the same subject in the same month. We need an integrated approach. Mr Pronk is v much of the same view.

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cc KSK

Note to the Secretary-General

Arbour/Mendez mission to Darfur

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As requested, I just spoke to Ms. Arbour, who is currently in Darfur. She said that she and Mr. Mendez will be available to brief the Council any time from 29 September 2004, and that their report should be ready for submission to you before they brief the Council. They will remain in Darfur until Friday and return to Khartoum on Saturday, and expect to be in Geneva on Sunday. Although she has a CHR meeting to attend in Geneva on Tuesday, 28 September, she is willing to come to New York for the submission of the report and briefing of the Council earlier, if this is required by you and the Security Council. Your guidance would be appreciated.

Thank you.

① KSK

Can we fit this in ~~next week~~ ^{next week} or its better the week after
Lamin J. Sise
22 September 2004

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Please coordinate with KP and advise the Secs president that Arbour/Mendez will brief them on ~~29 Sept~~ ²⁷ date

NB Ensure that Pronk and JPA ^{22 SEP 04} do not have any difficulties with timing ~~AK~~

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Note to the Secretary-General

Louise Arbour's and Juan Mendes' Mission to Darfur

1. The DPR of Spain, Ambassador de Palacio España, has inquired whether you would have any objections to the Security Council receiving a briefing next week from the High Commissioner for Human Rights on her mission to Darfur. The Presidency has been approached by Chile with such a request. Apparently, Germany and the United Kingdom would also be interested.
2. Before approaching the Members of the Council, the President would like to have your views.


 S. Iqbal Riza
 20 September 2004

This would need to be a joint briefing, since Mr. Mendez is responsible to SG, not HCHR. Thanks. R21/9.

*HR
 please check with Ms Arbour when their report will be ready and when she Mendez will be able to brief the Council. I believe they are still in Darfur. Thanks.*

LS please. R21/9

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