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 Subject: RE: RIO Status Update- 5 Feb, 1900 hrs

Thanks for all your hard work on this. It is certainly paying off. The ball is in our court now to get the contract in place and complete the time line to get boots on the ground so we can manage expectations. Army has the final say so on the indemnity issue and all involved are moving out. Let me know your time table for deployment. I will be deploying soon as well.

Hooah!

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] SPD
 Sent: Wednesday, March 05, 2003 6:41 PM
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 Importance: High

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Accompanied ORHA leader to get release of declass and authority to execute RIO. DepSecDef sent us to UnderSecPolicy Fieth and gave him authority to approve both.

Declass-Fieth approved, contingent on informing WH tomorrow. We anticipate no issue; since action has been coordinated w VP's office. Expect PA press release and Congressional coordination tomorrow AM and declass action to us early PM.

Execution Authority-Fieth found recommendation compelling and decision memo well done. He agreed to sign early tomorrow AM once OSD Counsel and Comptroller concur. We got Counsel's concurrence right away. Comptroller had left for the day. ORHA leader gave action to ORHA comptroller to get concurrence soonest tomorrow AM. Expect Fieth will sign immediately. I mentioned indemnification issue to Fieth as potential hurdle-he understood.

Great support from ORHA leader in pressing these issues. Am confident (at least as confident as one can be working these issues here) that both will be resolved to our satisfaction tomorrow

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